

GREEN SCHOOL OPERATIONS

The Board of Trustees believes everyone has a responsibility to be a steward of the environment and desires to integrate environmental accountability into all district programs and operations. The Superintendent or designee shall develop strategies to promote district use of "green" school principles and practices in order to conserve natural resources, reduce the impact of district operations on the environment, and protect the health of students, staff, and the community.

In developing such strategies and assessing the environmental conditions in district facilities and operations, the Superintendent or designee shall involve staff at all levels and with varying job responsibilities, including administrators, certificated staff, and classified staff. As appropriate, the Superintendent or designee may also consult with health professionals; representatives of local governmental agencies, utilities, solid waste and recycling companies, and community organizations; and/or others with expertise.

(cf. [1220](#) - *Citizen Advisory Committees*)

(cf. [1400](#) - *Relations Between Other Governmental Agencies and the Schools*)

(cf. [7131](#) - *Relations with Local Agencies*)

In selecting and prioritizing strategies, the Superintendent or designee shall give consideration to long-term potential cost savings, initial costs, feasibility of implementation, quality and performance of the product or service, health impacts, environmental considerations, and potential educational value.

(cf. [3100](#) - *Budget*)

(cf. [3460](#) - *Financial Reports and Accountability*)

District strategies may include, but are not limited to:

1. Reducing energy and water consumption, and using renewable and clean energy technologies and alternatives when available

(cf. [3511](#) - *Energy and Water Management*)

2. Establishing recycling programs in district facilities

(cf. [3511.1](#) - *Integrated Waste Management*)

3. Reducing the consumption of disposable materials by reusing materials and by using electronic rather than paper communications when feasible
4. Using environmentally preferable products and services whenever practical, including, but not limited to, products that:
 - a. Minimize environmental impacts, toxins, pollutants, odors, and hazards

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- b. Contain postconsumer recycled content
- c. Are durable and long-lasting
- d. Conserve energy and water
- e. Reduce waste

(cf. [3514](#) - *Environmental Safety*)

(cf. [3514.1](#) - *Hazardous Substances*)

(cf. [5141.23](#) - *Asthma Management*)

- 5. Using least toxic, independently certified green cleaning products when feasible, as well as high-efficiency cleaning equipment that reduces the need to use chemicals
- 6. Providing professional development to maintenance staff in the proper use, storage, and disposal of cleaning supplies

(cf. [4231](#) - *Staff Development*)

- 7. Using effective, least toxic pest management practices for the control and management of pests

(cf. [3514.2](#) - *Integrated Pest Management*)

- 8. Ensuring that any construction of new facilities complies with green building standards pursuant to 24 CCR 101.1-703.1, and focusing on sustainability and student health in the design and implementation of facilities modernization projects

(cf. [7110](#) - *Facilities Master Plan*)

(cf. [7111](#) - *Evaluating Existing Buildings*)

(cf. [7150](#) - *Site Selection and Development*)

- 9. Reducing vehicle emissions by:

- a. Encouraging students to walk or bicycle to school or to use district or public transportation

(cf. [5142.2](#) - *Safe Routes to School Program*)

- b. Using reduced or zero emission school buses and vehicles and providing accompanying infrastructure such as charging stations

(cf. [3540](#) - *Transportation*)

- c. Limiting unnecessary idling of school buses in accordance with 13 CCR [2480](#)

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- d. Limiting unnecessary idling of personal vehicles by encouraging parents/guardians, through signage or other means of communication, to turn off their vehicles when parked on and around school grounds

10. Implementing green school practices in the district's food service programs by:

- a. Providing fresh, locally sourced, unprocessed, organic food, including plant-based options, when available
- b. Reducing food packaging and using packaging that is recyclable and/or biodegradable
- c. Utilizing reusable products
- d. Encouraging zero-waste lunches when food is brought from home
- e. Maintaining a system for food waste, such as composting
- f. Providing sharing tables where unused cafeteria food items may, in accordance with Health and Safety Code [114079](#), be returned for student use or donated to a food bank or other nonprofit charitable organization

(cf. [3550](#) - Food Service/Child Nutrition Program)

(cf. [3551](#) - Food Service Operations/Cafeteria Fund)

11. Integrating green school practices and activities into the educational program by providing instruction to students on the importance of the environment, involving students in the implementation and evaluation of green school activities and projects as appropriate, and utilizing green school activities and projects as learning tools

(cf. [6142.5](#) - Environmental Education)

*Legal Reference:*EDUCATION CODE

[8700-8707](#) Environmental education

[17070.96](#) Leroy F. Greene School Facilities Act of 1996, consideration of high performance standards

[17072.35](#) New construction grants; use for designs and materials for high performance schools

[17608-17614](#) Healthy Schools Act of 2000

[32370-32376](#) Recycling paper

[33541](#) Environmental education

[101012](#) Kindergarten through 12th grade school facilities program

FOOD AND AGRICULTURAL CODE

[13180-13188](#) Healthy Schools Act of 2000

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1859.70.4 Funding for high performance incentive grants

1859.71.6 Additional grant for high performance incentive, new construction1859.77.4 Additional grants for high performance incentive, site and modernizationCODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 514010 Standards for school site selectionCODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 132480 Limitation to school bus idling and idling at schoolsCODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 24

101.1-703.1 Green building standards

*Management Resources:*CALIFORNIA AIR RESOURCES BOARD PUBLICATIONS

School Bus Fleet Webinar, April 20, 2018

COLLABORATIVE FOR HIGH PERFORMING SCHOOLS PUBLICATIONS

CHPS Best Practices Manual

GLOBAL GREEN USA PUBLICATIONS

Healthier, Wealthier, Wiser: A Report on National Green Schools

GREEN SCHOOLS INITIATIVE PUBLICATIONS

Green Schools Buying Guide

HEALTHY SCHOOLS CAMPAIGN PUBLICATIONS

The Quick and Easy Guide to Green Cleaning in Schools, 2nd ed., 2008

WEB SITESCSBA: <http://www.csba.org>California Air Resources Board: <http://www.arb.ca.gov>California Department of General Services, Green California: <http://www.green.ca.gov>California Energy Commission: <http://www.energy.ca.gov>Collaborative for High Performance Schools: <http://www.chps.net>Global Green USA: <http://www.globalgreen.org>Green Schools Initiative: <http://www.greenschools.net>Healthy Schools Campaign: <http://www.healthyschoolscampaign.org/programs/gcs>U.S. Environmental Protection Agency: <http://www.epa.gov>U.S. Green Building Council, LEED Green Building Rating System: <http://www.usgbc.org>

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OPERATIONS AND MAINTENANCE OF PLANTS

An effective educational program requires clean, healthful, safe, businesslike and attractive buildings and grounds. The Superintendent or designee will establish an operations and maintenance program which ensure proper care, protection and improvement of the district facilities. The Board of Trustees requests the cooperation of students, teachers and administrators in support of the custodians and maintenance personnel in carrying out such a program.

The building principal shall be responsible for providing supervision for his/her school plant.

The Superintendent or designee will be responsible for district-wide supervision of these functions and shall make periodic reports to the Board.

Legal Reference:

EDUCATION CODE

39210 ET SEQ. Fitness for occupancy

32020 Article 2 Gates to school grounds

OPERATIONS AND MAINTENANCE OF PLANTS

Conservation

Requirements of the energy conservation program of the Department of Energy announced July 5, 1979 are to be followed in this district and are summarized as follows:

1. Thermostats shall be set so that energy shall not be consumed to raise the room temperature above 68 degrees Fahrenheit or to lower the room temperature below 76 Fahrenheit.
2. During periods when buildings are unoccupied for eight hours or more, the heating system need not to be operated if the outside temperature is above 50 degrees Fahrenheit, but some heating will be allowed if the outside temperature is below 50 degrees Fahrenheit. The cooling system may not be used at all. Heating/ventilating air conditioning systems may be turned on before a scheduled occupancy so that authorized temperature levels can be reached by the time the occupancy begins.

Other energy-saving efforts shall be followed as appropriate, including turning lights and machines off when they are not needed.

Telephones

Telephones available in the district are for business use only.

District Letterhead Stationary

Any district letterhead is to be used only for official business by designated personnel.

ENERGY AND WATER MANAGEMENT

The Board of Trustees recognizes the environmental and financial benefits that can be derived from conserving energy, water, and other natural resources, preparing for extreme weather and other natural events, and providing an environment that promotes the health and well-being of students and staff. To support district goals for energy and water management, the Superintendent or designee shall develop a resource management program which may include strategies for implementing effective and sustainable resource use practices, exploring the use of renewable and clean energy technology and/or sources, reducing energy and water consumption, and promoting conservation principles in the educational program.

(cf. [0200](#) - *Goals for the School District*)

(cf. [3100](#) - *Budget*)

(cf. [3300](#) - *Expenditures and Purchases*)

(cf. [3510](#) - *Green School Operations*)

(cf. [3511.1](#) - *Integrated Waste Management*)

(cf. [3512](#) - *Equipment*)

(cf. [6142.5](#) - *Environmental Education*)

The Superintendent or designee may solicit input from staff, students, and parents/guardians regarding the district's resource management program. The Superintendent or designee shall provide staff and students with training and guidance on best practices to achieve the district's goals, and may establish a reward program to recognize outstanding accomplishments.

(cf. [1150](#) - *Commendation and Awards*)

The Superintendent or designee shall regularly inspect district facilities, monitor operations, and make recommendations for maintenance and repairs which may help the district reach its conservation and management goals and improve efficiency.

(cf. [7110](#) - *Facilities Master Plan*)

(cf. [7111](#) - *Evaluating Existing Buildings*)

The Superintendent or designee shall make every effort to identify funding opportunities and cost-reducing incentive programs to help the district achieve its conservation and management goals. The district may coordinate with other local or regional entities to capitalize on their expertise and maximize the efficient use of resources, such as through joint or shared use agreements.

(cf. [1330.1](#) - *Joint Use Agreements*)

(cf. [1400](#) - *Relations Between Other Governmental Agencies and the Schools*)

The Superintendent or designee shall regularly report to the Board on the district's progress in meeting its conservation and resource management goals.

ENERGY AND WATER MANAGEMENT (Continued)**Storm Water Management**

To the maximum extent practicable, the district shall reduce the discharge of pollutants into the water system in order to minimize the threat to water quality from storm water runoff.

The Superintendent or designee shall ensure that the district complies with storm water discharge standards specified by any applicable General Permit coverage required by law, including all requirements of the Construction General Permit issued by the State Water Resources Control Board for any project that disturbs one acre or more of soil. (40 CFR 122.34).

(cf. [3514](#) - *Environmental Safety*)

(cf. [3514.1](#) - *Hazardous Substances*)

(cf. [3514.2](#) - *Integrated Pest Management*)

For all projects, the district shall comply with any city or county ordinance that regulates drainage improvements and conditions. (Government Code [53097](#))

Emergency Interruption of Services

The Superintendent or designee shall develop a plan to minimize disruption to the educational program in the event of power outages or other emergency interruption of utility services. The plan shall include actions to be taken to facilitate student and staff safety, administrative control of operations, protection of equipment, effective communications, and coordination with local fire, police, and emergency personnel and utility service providers.

(cf. [0450](#) - *Comprehensive Safety Plan*)

(cf. [3516](#) - *Emergencies and Disaster Preparedness Plan*)

(cf. [3516.5](#) - *Emergency Schedules*)

Legal Reference:

EDUCATION CODE

[17213.1](#) *School sites*

[17280](#) *Construction of school buildings*

[35275](#) *Coordination of new facilities with recreation and park authorities*

[41422](#) *School term or session length, failure to comply due to disaster*

[46392](#) *Emergency conditions; ADA estimate*

GOVERNMENT CODE

[53097](#) *Local agencies*

PUBLIC RESOURCES CODE

[25410-25421](#) *Energy conservation assistance*

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WATER CODE

189.3 Recommendations for best design and use practices

13383 Compliance with the federal Water Pollution Control Act

13383.5 Storm water discharge monitoring requirements

CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 23

490-495 Model Water Efficient Landscape Ordinance

2200 Discharge permit fees

UNITED STATES CODE, TITLE 33

1342 National pollutant discharge elimination system

CODE OF FEDERAL REGULATIONS, TITLE 40

122.1-122.64 National pollutant discharge elimination system

Management Resources:

CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION PUBLICATIONS

Guidance for Stormwater and Dry Weather Runoff CAPTURE (California Practices to Use Runoff Effectively) at Schools, December 2018

A Blueprint for Environmental Literacy: Educating Every Student In, About, and For the Environment, 2015

Average Daily Attendance Credit During Periods of Emergency, Management Advisory 90-01, rev. February 10, 2005

CALIFORNIA STATE WATER RESOURCES CONTROL BOARD PUBLICATIONS

Guidance for Design and Construction of Vegetated Low Impact Development Projects, 2016

U.S. ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY PUBLICATIONS

National Management Measures to Control Nonpoint Source Pollution from Urban Areas, 2005

WEB SITES

CSBA: <http://www.csba.org>

Alliance to Save Energy: <http://www.ase.org>

California Department of Education, Facilities: <http://www.cde.ca.gov/lr/fa>

California Department of Water Resources: <http://water.ca.gov>

California Division of State Architect: <http://www.dgs.ca.gov/DSA>

California Energy Commission: <http://www.energy.ca.gov>

California State Water Resources Control Board: <http://www.swrcb.ca.gov>

California Stormwater Quality Association: <http://www.casqa.org/resources>

Collaborative for High Performance Schools (CHPS): <http://chps.net>

Green School Yards America: <http://www.greenschoolyards.org>

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency: <http://www.epa.gov>

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ENERGY AND WATER MANAGEMENT

In the development of the district's energy and water resource management program, the Superintendent or designee shall analyze the efficiency and environmental impact of, and consider strategies for improving, the following district systems:

1. Lighting
2. Heating, ventilation, and air conditioning
3. Water heaters
4. Electrical equipment and appliances
5. Water use and irrigation, including drains, faucets, and pipes
6. Grounds management

(cf. [7111](#) - *Evaluating Existing Buildings*)

In addition, the district's resource management program may include strategies to address the following:

1. Educational programs that focus on environmental literacy and incorporate the Next Generation Science Standards

(cf. [6142.5](#) - *Environmental Education*)

(cf. [6142.93](#) - *Science Instruction*)

2. Outdoor student facilities that are environmentally sustainable and include increased shaded areas to reduce playground temperatures

(cf. [5141.7](#) - *Sun Safety*)

3. Classroom and building management and maintenance
4. Food services and food waste reduction

(cf. [3551](#) - *Food Service Operations/Cafeteria Fund*)

5. Landscaping practices, including establishing drought-tolerant habitats
6. Transportation services and maintenance

(cf. [3540](#) - *Transportation*)

ENERGY AND WATER MANAGEMENT (Continued)

7. Inclusion of best practices for water management in new construction projects

(cf. [7110](#) - *Facilities Master Plan*)

8. Administrative operations that focus on cost reduction and conservation

(cf. [3400](#) - *Management of District Assets/Accounts*)

9. Regular equipment maintenance and repair

(cf. [3512](#) - *Equipment*)

Storm Water Management

The Superintendent or designee shall implement a storm water management plan that complies with applicable state and federal law and local ordinances. The plan shall include best practices designed to reduce waste, pollution, environmental degradation, and damage to school facilities and infrastructure by:

1. Incorporating water capture and filtration systems for storm water when necessary
2. Emphasizing school practices and school design that reduce runoff and human pollutants, such as plastics, oils, grease, metals, and pesticides
3. Preserving, creating, and enhancing natural areas and greenspace that aid in storm water and dry weather capture
4. Minimizing impervious surface area and controlling runoff from impervious surfaces
5. Utilizing, when possible, soils that promote infiltration
6. Incorporating storm water design signage features and learning opportunities for public education

Emergency Interruption of Services

The Superintendent or designee shall consult with local law enforcement, emergency personnel, and the county office of emergency services in the development of strategies to be implemented in the event of power outages or other emergency interruptions of utility services. The strategies shall prescribe a means of notifying appropriate agencies to ensure all utilities are properly restored after interruption.

(cf. [3516](#) - *Emergencies and Disaster Preparedness Plan*)

ENERGY AND WATER MANAGEMENT (Continued)

The Superintendent or designee shall reopen schools and return to normal instructional activities as soon as safe operations can be resumed. If any school will be closed for an extended period of time, the district shall make alternative arrangements for students and staff so as not to interrupt the educational program.

The Superintendent or designee shall communicate with staff, students, and parents/guardians regarding any interruption of educational services due to utility service outages, including any necessary alternative arrangements and the date or time that normal operations of the school are expected to resume.

(cf. [1100](#) - *Communication with the Public*)

(cf. [3516.5](#) - *Emergency Schedules*)

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INTEGRATED WASTE MANAGEMENT

The Board of Trustees believes that the conservation of water, energy, and other natural resources, the protection of the environment, and the implementation of an effective waste diversion program are connected to the district's educational mission and are essential to the health and well-being of the community. The Superintendent or designee shall develop and implement a cost-effective, integrated waste management program that incorporates the principles of green school operations.

The district's integrated waste management program shall include strategies designed to promote waste management practices of source reduction, recycling, and composting to help the district reduce and recycle solid and organic waste, properly dispose of potentially hazardous materials, improve efficiency in the use of natural resources, and minimize the impact of such use on the environment. The program shall address all areas of the district's operations, including, but not limited to, procurement, resource utilization, and facilities management practices.

The Superintendent or designee may collaborate with city, county, and state agencies and other public or private agencies in developing and implementing the district's integrated waste management program.

The Superintendent or designee shall make every effort to identify funding opportunities for the district's integrated waste management program, including applying for available grants or other cost-reduction incentives.

The Superintendent or designee may provide appropriate educational and training opportunities to students and staff regarding the benefits and methods of conserving natural resources and the manner in which integrated waste management strategies impact such efforts.

The Superintendent or designee shall regularly monitor all aspects of the district's integrated waste management program and shall provide an update to the Board on its effectiveness as necessary.

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INTEGRATED WASTE MANAGEMENT continued***State Description***

14 CCR 17225.12 Commercial solid waste

Ed. Code 17070.96 Leroy F. Greene School Facilities Act of 1996, consideration of high performance standards

Ed. Code 17072.35 New construction grants; use for designs and materials for high performance schools

Ed. Code 32370-32376 Recycling paper

Ed. Code 33541 Science requirements

Ed. Code 8700-8707 Environmental education

Pub. Res. Code 41780 Waste diversion

Pub. Res. Code 25410-25421 Energy conservation assistance

Pub. Res. Code 40050-40063 Integrated waste management act

Pub. Res. Code 42620-42622 Source reduction and recycling programs

Pub. Res. Code 42630-42647 Schoolsite source reduction and recycling assistance program

Pub. Res. Code 42649-42649.7 Recycling of commercial solid waste

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INTEGRATED WASTE MANAGEMENT

For all applicable areas of district operations, the Superintendent or designee shall design an integrated waste management program that minimizes the generation of waste, encourages the recovery and diversion of reusable materials from the waste stream, improves efficiency in the utilization of natural and material resources, and protects the environment. The program shall implement measures and/or practices to:

1. Reduce the consumption of disposable materials, increase the composting of organic materials, and fully utilize all materials prior to disposal
2. Recycle materials such as paper, glass, plastic, and aluminum
3. Prefer recycled, biodegradable, and other environmentally preferable products when procuring materials for use in district schools and buildings or contracting for the construction or modernization of any district building
4. Work with city, county, or other government agencies to locate markets for the district's reusable and recyclable materials
5. Minimize the use of nonbiodegradable materials and work with vendors and contractors to use packaging and delivery materials that generate less waste

Recycling

Any school site or district facility which generates four or more cubic yards of solid waste per week shall take at least one of the following actions: (Public Resources Code 42649.1, 42649.2)

1. Source separate recyclable materials from solid waste and subscribe to a basic level of recycling service that includes collection, self-hauling, or other arrangements for the pickup of the recyclable materials
2. Subscribe to a recycling service which may include mixed waste processing that yields diversion results comparable to source separation

Any school site or district facility which generates two or more cubic yards per week of solid waste, recyclables, and organics shall arrange for recycling services specifically for organic waste, including food waste, green waste, landscape and pruning waste, nonhazardous wood waste, and food-soiled paper waste that is mixed in with food waste. Such facilities shall

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take at least one of the following actions: (Public Resources Code 42649.8, 42649.81-42649.82, 42649.84)

1. Source separate organic waste from other waste and subscribe to a basic level of organic waste recycling service that includes collection and recycling of organic waste
2. Recycle organic waste onsite or self-haul organic waste for recycling
3. Subscribe to an organic waste recycling service that may include mixed waste processing that specifically recycles organic waste
4. Make other arrangements to sell or donate recyclable organic waste materials

Any school site or district facility that meets the above thresholds for solid or organic waste shall place a recycling bin or container for solid or organic waste, as applicable, in areas where food or other materials are purchased at the facility for immediate consumption. The recycling bin or container shall be: (Public Resources Code 42649.2, 42649.81)

1. Adjacent to each bin or container for nonrecyclable trash, except in restrooms
2. Visible and easily accessible
3. Clearly marked with educational signage indicating appropriate items to be placed in the recycling bin or container in accordance with state law and the local jurisdiction's waste ordinances and practices

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State Description

<i>14 CCR 17225.12</i>	<i>Commercial solid waste</i>
<i>Ed. Code 17070.96</i>	<i>Leroy F. Greene School Facilities Act of 1996, consideration of high performance standards</i>
<i>Ed. Code 17072.35</i>	<i>New construction grants; use for designs and materials for high performance schools</i>
<i>Ed. Code 32370-32376</i>	<i>Recycling paper</i>
<i>Ed. Code 33541</i>	<i>Science requirements</i>
<i>Ed. Code 8700-8707</i>	<i>Environmental education</i>

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<i>Pub. Res. Code 41780</i>	<i>Waste diversion</i>
<i>Pub. Res. Code 25410-25421</i>	<i>Energy conservation assistance</i>
<i>Pub. Res. Code 40050-40063</i>	<i>Integrated waste management act</i>
<i>Pub. Res. Code 42620-42622</i>	<i>Source reduction and recycling programs</i>
<i>Pub. Res. Code 42630-42647</i>	<i>Schoolsite source reduction and recycling assistance program</i>
<i>Pub. Res. Code 42649-42649.7</i>	<i>Recycling of commercial solid waste</i>

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BIGGS UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
Biggs, California

EQUIPMENT

District equipment shall be used primarily for educational purposes and/or to conduct district business. The Superintendent or designee shall ensure that all employees, students, and other users understand the appropriate use of district equipment and that any misuse may be cause for disciplinary action or loss of user privilege.

(cf. 0440 - District Technology Plan)
(cf. 3515.4 - Recovery for Property Loss or Damage)
(cf. 3540 - Transportation)
(cf. 3551 - Food Service Operations/Cafeteria Fund)
(cf. 4040 - Employee Use of Technology)
(cf. 4118 - Dismissal/Suspension/Disciplinary Action)
(cf. 4218 - Dismissal/Suspension/Disciplinary Action)
(cf. 5142 - Safety)
(cf. 5144 - Discipline)
(cf. 6000 - Concepts and Roles)
(cf. 6163.4 - Student Use of Technology)
(cf. 6171 - Title I Programs)

School-connected organizations may be granted reasonable use of the equipment for school-related matters, if such use does not interfere with the use by students or employees or otherwise disrupt district operations.

(cf. 1230 - School-Connected Organizations)
(cf. 1330 - Use of School Facilities)

The Superintendent or designee shall approve the transfer of any district equipment from one work site to another and the removal of any district equipment for off-site use. When any equipment is taken off site, the borrower is responsible for its safe return and shall be fully liable for any loss or damage. Equipment shall only be used for an approved district-related purpose.

Employees transferred to another work site shall take with them only those personal items that have been purchased with their own funds unless otherwise authorized by the Superintendent or designee or applicable Board policy or administrative regulation.

The Superintendent or designee shall maintain an inventory of all equipment currently valued in excess of \$500. (Education Code 35168; 5 CCR 3946)

(cf. 3440 - Inventories)

Additionally, the Superintendent or designee shall maintain property records as specified in Administrative Regulation 3440 – Inventories, including updating property records when there is a change in the status of the property.

When equipment is unusable or is no longer needed, it may be sold, donated, or disposed of in accordance with Education Code 17540-17555 or 2 CFR 200.313, as applicable.

(cf. 3270 - Sale and Disposal of Books, Equipment and Supplies)

EQUIPMENT (continued)**Equipment Acquired with Federal Funds**

The Superintendent or designee shall obtain prior written approval from the California Department of Education or other awarding agency before purchasing equipment with federal funds. (2 CFR 200.439)

Additionally, the Superintendent or designee shall obtain prior approval from CDE or other awarding agency before disposing or encumbering equipment purchased with federal funds. (2 CFR 200.313)

(cf. 3230 - Federal Grant Funds)

(cf. 3300 - Expenditures and Purchases)

Persons involved in the selection, award, or administration of a contract supported by federal funds shall comply with the requirements specified in 2 CFR 200.313 and 200.318, including conflict of interest requirements, act in accordance with Administrative Regulation 3230 – Federal Grant Funds, and comply with Board Bylaw 9270 – Conflict of Interest.

All equipment purchased for federal programs funded through the consolidated application pursuant to Education Code 64000-64001 shall be labeled with the name of the project, identification number, and name of the district. (2 CFR 200.313; 5 CCR 3946)

For any equipment acquired in whole or in part with federal funds, the Superintendent or designee shall develop adequate maintenance procedures to keep the property in good condition. Additionally, the Superintendent or designee shall develop adequate safeguards to prevent loss, damage, or theft of the property and shall investigate any loss, damage, or theft. (2 CFR 200.313)

(cf. 3530 - Risk Management/Insurance)

(cf. 4156.3/4256.3/4356.3 - Employee Property Reimbursement)

Equipment purchased for use in a federal program shall be used in that program as long as needed, regardless of whether the program continues to be supported by federal funds. The equipment may be used in other activities currently or previously supported by a federal agency when such use does not interfere with the work on the project or program for which it was originally acquired or when use of the equipment is no longer needed for the original program. (2 CFR 200.313)

*Legal Reference:*EDUCATION CODE

17540-17542 Sale or lease of personal property by one district to another

17545-17555 Sale of personal property

17605 Delegation of authority to purchase supplies and equipment

35160 Authority of governing boards

35168 Inventory of equipment

64000-64001 Consolidated application process

CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 5

3946 Control, safeguards, disposal of equipment purchased with state and federal consolidated application funds

4424 Comparability of services

16023 Class 1 - Permanent records

UNITED STATES CODE, TITLE 20

6321 Fiscal requirements

CODE OF FEDERAL REGULATIONS, TITLE 2

200.0-200.521 Federal uniform grant guidance

EQUIPMENT (continued)

Management Resources:

CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION PUBLICATIONS

California School Accounting Manual

WEB SITES

California Department of Education: <http://www.cde.ca.gov>

Office of Management and Budget: <https://www.whitehouse.gov/omb>

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BIGGS UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

Biggs, California

EQUIPMENT

EQUIPMENT LOAN FORM

I assume the responsibility for the following district equipment:

Description and condition of equipment:

Equipment ID Number:

District-related purpose: (Note: items are not for personal use)

I will return the above equipment to _____
(administrator or designee)

no later than _____.
(date)

In borrowing the items listed above, I assume responsibility for any loss of or damage to the equipment or materials. If any items are damaged or lost, I will pay the cost of repairs or replacement.

Signed: _____

Date: _____

Approved: _____

Date: _____

CELLULAR PHONE REIMBURSEMENT

The Board of Trustees understands that cellular phones and other mobile communications devices are an efficient and important method of conducting district business and can help to ensure the safety and security of staff, students, and others, as well as helping to protect district property.

(cf. 0450 - Comprehensive Safety Plan)

(cf. 3515 - Campus Security)

(cf. 3516 - Emergencies and Disaster Preparedness Plan)

(cf. 4040 - Employee Use of Technology)

(cf. 5131 - Conduct)

The Superintendent or designee shall determine, in accordance with administrative regulation, whether an employee needs a cell phone and/or other mobile communications device in order to perform his/her job responsibilities.

(cf. 3542 - School Bus Drivers)

(cf. 4156.3/4256.3/4356.3 - Employee Property Reimbursement)

Legal Reference:

EDUCATION CODE

35213 Reimbursement for loss or damage of personal property

44032 Travel expense payment

48901.5 Electronic signaling devices

VEHICLE CODE

23123 Wireless telephones in vehicles

23125 Wireless telephones in school buses

CODE OF FEDERAL REGULATIONS, TITLE 26

1.132-5 Working conditions fringe benefit

Management Resources:

WEB SITES

Internal Revenue Service: <http://www.irs.gov>

CELLULAR PHONE REIMBURSEMENT

The district may provide an allowance to an employee for the use of his/her personally owned cell phone or mobile communications device for district-related business. The allowance shall be based on the business requirements of the employee. The allowance shall be given to the employee, who shall be responsible for payments to the service provider.

The district may purchase cell phones or other mobile communications devices for use by employees for district-related business.

Employees who are not provided an allowance or district-owned mobile communications devices may be reimbursed for the actual expenses of business-related calls made on their personally owned equipment, in accordance with the district's expense reimbursement procedures.

The Superintendent or designee shall determine if an employee requires a cell phone or other mobile communications device for the efficient performance of his/her job responsibilities. Factors that will be considered include, but are not limited to, whether the employee's job responsibilities require:

1. An ability to communicate frequently and access to a district telephone is not readily available
2. An ability to communicate immediately to ensure the safety of district staff and students, or the security of district property
3. An ability to be accessible due to frequent travel or work outside of the office

The Superintendent or designee shall develop a uniform system for identifying employee cell phone or mobile communications device needs and the most cost effective method of providing necessary equipment to employees. He/she shall also develop a system for monitoring employee use and reimbursement of costs.

If an employee misuses the cell phone or other mobile communications device or leaves district employment, he/she shall be responsible for fees or charges associated with cancellation of the service contract.

If the Superintendent or designee determines that an employee no longer needs a cell phone or other mobile communications device to perform his/her job responsibilities, any fees or charges associated with cancellation of the service contract shall be the responsibility of the district. (*cf. 4156.3/4256.3/4356.3 - Employee Property Reimbursement*)

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BIGGS UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

Biggs, California

CELLULAR PHONE REIMBURSEMENT

District Use

All cellular telephone service for district use must be obtained through the district contract and coordinated by the business office.

Emergency Phone

The district provides a cellular telephone for emergency use at each school. The walkie-talkie or direct-connect portion of the phone can be used as needed to contact custodians, or other district personnel. The actual phone is intended for use in emergency situations only and should be maintained in the school main office in a fully charged condition at all times.

District Cell Phone Procedures

1. Cellular telephones are provided specifically to carry out official district business when other means of communication are not readily available. Cellular telephones may not be used for routine personal communications other than the exceptions below.
2. Cellular telephones are not to be used when a less costly alternative is readily available, unless as otherwise necessary for safety or emergency circumstances.
3. Personal use of a district owned cellular telephone is limited to making or receiving calls for family or 911 emergencies only. Personal emergencies include contacting a family member or child care provider should the employee be late arriving home or picking up children for a reason directly related to his/her official district duties, e.g., a meeting which runs later than expected or a last minute schedule change. Whenever possible, such calls should be made or received on district or other public telephones.
4. Cellular telephone conversations involving district information of a confidential nature should be minimal and avoided whenever possible.
5. Cellular telephones are not to be loaned to others.
6. Employees issued a cellular telephone are responsible for its safe keeping at all times. Defective, lost or stolen cellular telephones are to be reported immediately to the business Department who will in turn notify the service provider. Stolen or lost equipment outside the boundaries of the district is the employee's financial responsibility.
7. Cellular telephones and accessories issued to employees who work 10 months or less must be returned to business office at the conclusion of the school year, activity or as otherwise specified.

CELLULAR PHONE REIMBURSEMENT (continued)

8. Exiting employees must surrender district provided devices, and any accessories before their departure. District provided cell phone numbers will stay with the district, but current and exiting employees may obtain discounted services for their personal cellular needs. Please contact the business office for additional information.
9. Cell Phone use while driving a school bus or any district vehicle is prohibited. Employees are reminded that use of communication devices must be hands-free while driving any vehicle, in compliance with state law.
10. Employees provided district cell phones are expected to carry the device and keep it charged and available for use during their normal work hours.
11. Any charges incurred for the convenience of the employee (e.g. non business related Wireless Web or Roaming Charges) are the sole responsibility of the employee. Services not covered by district rate plans are charged at higher rates; these include ring tones, games, directory assistance, and other “convenience” applications. The district reserves the right to charge employees for these costs.
12. The district reserves the right to review and question employee use of district provided devices. Employees who abuse cellular and/or communication privileges are subject to charges, discipline, and/or surrender of their district – provided device.

I have read, understand, and will abide by the Biggs Unified School District Cell Phone Procedures. I have also read and understand the district’s Acceptable Use Policy, Board Policy 3513.1 and Administrative Regulation 3513.1. I further understand that any violation may result in the loss of access privileges and/or possible disciplinary action.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Business Office
530-868-1281 x250

TOBACCO-FREE SCHOOLS

The Board of Trustees recognizes that smoking and other uses of tobacco and nicotine products constitute a serious public health hazard and are inconsistent with district goals to provide a healthy environment for students and staff.

(cf. 3514 - Environmental Safety)
(cf. 4159/4259/4359 - Employee Assistance Programs)
(cf. 5030 - Student Wellness)
(cf. 5131.62 - Tobacco)
(cf. 5141.23 - Asthma Management)
(cf. 6142.8 - Comprehensive Health Education)
(cf. 6143 - Courses of Study)

The Board prohibits smoking and/or the use of tobacco products at any time in district-owned or leased buildings, on district property, and in district vehicles. (Health and Safety Code 104420, 104559)

These prohibitions apply to all employees, students, and visitors at any school-sponsored instructional program, activity, or athletic event held on or off district property. Any written joint use agreement governing community use of district facilities or grounds shall include notice of the district's tobacco-free schools policy and consequences for violations of the policy.

(cf. 1330 - Use of School Facilities)
(cf. 1330.1 - Joint Use Agreements)

Smoking means inhaling, exhaling, burning, or carrying of any lighted or heated cigar, cigarette, pipe, tobacco, or plant product intended for inhalation, whether natural or synthetic, in any manner or form, and includes the use of an electronic smoking device that creates aerosol or vapor or of any oral smoking device for the purpose of circumventing the prohibition of smoking. (Business and Professions Code 22950.5; Education Code 48901)

Tobacco products include: (Business and Professions Code 22950.5; Education Code 48901)

1. Any product containing, made, or derived from tobacco or nicotine that is intended for human consumption, whether smoked, heated, chewed, absorbed, dissolved, inhaled, snorted, sniffed, or ingested by any other means, including, but not limited to, cigarettes, cigars, little cigars, chewing tobacco, pipe tobacco, or snuff
2. An electronic device that delivers nicotine or other vaporized liquids to the person inhaling from the device, including, but not limited to, an electronic cigarette, cigar, pipe, or hookah
3. Any component, part, or accessory of a tobacco product, whether or not sold separately

TOBACCO-FREE SCHOOLS (continued)

This policy does not prohibit the use or possession of prescription products and other cessation aids that have been approved by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Food and Drug Administration, such as nicotine patch or gum.

Smoking or use of any tobacco-related product or disposal of any tobacco-related waste is prohibited within 25 feet of any playground, except on a public sidewalk located within 25 feet of the playground. In addition, any form of intimidation, threat, or retaliation against a person for attempting to enforce this policy is prohibited. (Health and Safety Code 104495)

*Legal Reference:*EDUCATION CODE

48900 Grounds for suspension/expulsion

48901 Prohibition against tobacco use by students

BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONS CODE

22950.5 Stop Tobacco Access to Kids Enforcement Act; definitions

HEALTH AND SAFETY CODE

39002 Control of air pollution from nonvehicular sources

104350-104495 Tobacco use prevention, especially:

104495 Prohibition of smoking and tobacco waste on playgrounds

104559 Tobacco use prohibition

119405 Unlawful to sell or furnish electronic cigarettes to minors

LABOR CODE

3300 Employer, definition

6304 Safe and healthful workplace

6404.5 Occupational safety and health; use of tobacco products

UNITED STATES CODE, TITLE 20

6083 Nonsmoking policy for children's services

7111-7122 Student Support and Academic Enrichment Grants

CODE OF FEDERAL REGULATIONS, TITLE 21

1140.1-1140.34 Unlawful sale of cigarettes and smokeless tobacco to minors

PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT AND RELATIONS BOARD RULINGS

Eureka Teachers Assn. v. Eureka City School District (1992) PERB Order #955 (16 PERC 23168)

CSEA #506 and Associated Teachers of Metropolitan Riverside v. Riverside Unified School District (1989) PERB Order #750 (13 PERC 20147)

*Management Resources:*WEB SITESCalifornia Department of Education, Alcohol, Tobacco and Other Drug Prevention: <http://www.cde.ca.gov/ls/he/at>

California Department of Education, Tobacco-Free School District Certification:

<http://www.cde.ca.gov/ls/he/at/tobaccofreecert.asp>California Department of Public Health, Tobacco Control: <http://www.cdph.ca.gov/programs/tobacco>Occupational Safety and Health Standards Board: <http://www.dir.ca.gov/OSHSB/oshsb.html>U.S. Environmental Protection Agency: <http://www.epa.gov>

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BIGGS UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

Biggs, California

TOBACCO-FREE SCHOOLS

Notifications

Information about the district's tobacco-free schools policy and enforcement procedures shall be communicated clearly to employees, parents/guardians, students, and the community. (Health and Safety Code 104420)

(cf. 4112.9/4212.9/4312.9 - Employee Notifications)
(cf. 5145.6 - Parental Notifications)

The Superintendent or designee may disseminate this information through annual written notifications, district and school web sites, student and parent handbooks, and/or other appropriate methods of communication.

(cf. 1113 - District and School Web Sites)

The Superintendent or designee shall ensure that signs stating "Tobacco use is prohibited" are prominently displayed at all entrances to school property. (Health and Safety Code 104420, 104559)

Enforcement/Discipline

Any employee or student who violates the district's tobacco-free schools policy shall be asked to refrain from smoking and shall be subject to disciplinary action as appropriate.

(cf. 4118 - Suspension/Disciplinary Action)
(cf. 4218 - Dismissal/Suspension/Disciplinary Action)
(cf. 5144 - Discipline)
(cf. 5144.1 - Suspension and Expulsion/Due Process)

Any other person who violates the district's policy on tobacco-free schools shall be informed of the district's policy and asked to refrain from smoking. If the person fails to comply with this request, the Superintendent or designee may:

1. Direct the person to leave school property
2. Request local law enforcement assistance in removing the person from school premises
3. If the person repeatedly violates the tobacco-free schools policy, prohibit him/her from entering district property for a specified period of time

(cf. 1250 - Visitors/Outsiders)
(cf. 3515.2 - Disruptions)

Business and Noninstructional Operations

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TOBACCO-FREE SCHOOLS (continued)

The Superintendent or designee shall not be required to physically eject a nonemployee who is smoking or to request that the nonemployee refrain from smoking under circumstances involving a risk of physical harm to the district or any employee. (Labor Code 6404.5)

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BIGGS UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
Biggs, California

DRUG AND ALCOHOL FREE SCHOOLS

The Board of Trustees recognizes the need to keep district schools free of drugs and alcohol in order to create a safe and healthy environment conducive to learning and promote student health and well-being. The Board prohibits the possession, use, or sale of drugs and alcohol at any time in district-owned or leased buildings, on district property, and in district vehicles, unless otherwise permitted by law.

(cf. 1325 - Advertising and Promotion)

(cf. 3513.3 - Tobacco-Free Schools)

(cf. 4020 - Drug and Alcohol-Free Workplace)

(cf. 4159/4259/4359 - Employee Assistance Programs)

(cf. 5030 - Student Wellness)

(cf. 5131.6 - Alcohol and Other Drugs)

(cf. 5131.62 - Tobacco)

(cf. 6142.8 - Comprehensive Health Education)

The following substances are prohibited on all district property:

1. Any substance which may not lawfully be possessed, used, or sold in California
2. Cannabis or cannabis products (Health and Safety Code 11362.3; 21 USC 812, 844)
3. Alcoholic beverages, unless approved by the Superintendent or designee for limited purposes specified in Business and Professions Code 25608

(cf. 1330 - Use of School Facilities)

(cf. 1330.1 - Joint Use Agreements)

Prescription medication, except for prescribed cannabis, may be administered at school in accordance with law, district policy and regulations, and written statements by the parent/guardian and the student's authorized health care provider as applicable.

(cf. 5141.21 - Administering Medications and Monitoring Health Conditions)

Information about the district's drug- and alcohol-free schools policy and the consequences for violations shall be communicated clearly to employees, parents/guardians, students, and the community.

Enforcement/Discipline

The Superintendent or designee shall take appropriate action to eliminate the possession, use, or sale of alcohol and other drugs and related paraphernalia in district facilities, on district property, in district vehicles, or at school-sponsored activities. As appropriate, he/she may direct anyone violating this policy to leave school property and/or refer the matter to law enforcement.

DRUG AND ALCOHOL FREE SCHOOLS (continued)

(cf. 1250 - Visitors/Outsiders)
 (cf. 3515.2 - Disruptions)
 (cf. 5145.11 - Questioning and Apprehension by Law Enforcement)
 (cf. 5145.12 - Search and Seizure)

Students and employees who violate the terms of this policy may be subject to discipline and/or referred to assistance programs in accordance with law and Board policy.

(cf. 4112.41/4212.41/4312.41 - Employee Drug Testing)
 (cf. 4112.42/4212.42/4312.42 - Drug and Alcohol Testing for School Bus Drivers)
 (cf. 4117.7/4217.7/4317.7 - Employment Status Reports)
 (cf. 4118 - Dismissal/Suspension/Disciplinary Action)
 (cf. 4218 - Dismissal/Suspension/Disciplinary Action)
 (cf. 5131 - Conduct)
 (cf. 5144 - Discipline)
 (cf. 5144.1 - Suspension and Expulsion/Due Process)
 (cf. 5144.2 - Suspension and Expulsion/Due Process (Students with Disabilities))
 (cf. 6145 - Extracurricular and Cocurricular Activities)
 (cf. 6145.2 - Athletic Competition)

*Legal Reference:*EDUCATION CODE

44940 Compulsory leave of absence for certificated persons
 44940.5 Procedures when employees are placed on compulsory leave of absence
 45123 Employment after conviction of controlled substance offense
 45304 Compulsory leave of absence for classified persons
 48900 Suspension or expulsion (grounds)
 48900.5 Suspension, limitation on imposition; exception
 48901 Smoking or use of tobacco prohibited
 48901.5 Prohibition of electronic signaling devices
 48902 Notification of law enforcement authorities; civil or criminal immunity
 48909 Narcotics or other hallucinogenic drugs
 48915 Expulsion; particular circumstances

BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONS CODE

25608 Alcohol on school property; use in connection with instruction

GOVERNMENT CODE

8350-8357 Drug-free workplace

HEALTH AND SAFETY CODE

11053-11058 Standards and schedules
 11353.6 Juvenile Drug Trafficking and Schoolyard Act
 11362.1 Possession and use of cannabis, persons age 21 and over
 11362.3 Limitations on possession and use of cannabis
 11362.79 Limitations on medical use of cannabis
 104559 Tobacco use prohibition

PENAL CODE

13860-13864 Suppression of drug abuse in schools

VEHICLE CODE

13202.5 Drug and alcohol related offenses by person under age of 21, but aged 13 or over;

UNITED STATES CODE, TITLE 20

7101-7122 Student Support and Academic Enrichment Grants

DRUG AND ALCOHOL FREE SCHOOLS (continued)

Legal Reference: continued

UNITED STATES CODE, TITLE 21

812 Schedules of controlled substances

844 Penalties for possession of controlled substance

UNITED STATES CODE, TITLE 41

8101-8106 Drug-Free Workplace Act

COURT DECISIONS

Ross v. RagingWire Telecommunications, Inc., 42 Cal. 4th 920 (2008)

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BIGGS UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
Biggs, California

ENVIRONMENTAL SAFETY

The Board of Trustees recognizes its obligation to provide a safe and healthy environment at school facilities for students, staff, and community members. The Superintendent or designee shall regularly assess school facilities to identify environmental health risks and shall develop strategies to prevent and/or mitigate environmental hazards. He/she shall consider the proven effectiveness of various options, anticipated short-term and long-term costs and/or savings to the district, and the potential impact on staff and students, including the impact on student achievement and attendance.

(cf. 0200 - Goals for the School District)
(cf. 0400 - Comprehensive Plans)
(cf. 1312.4 - Williams Uniform Complaint Procedures)
(cf. 3516 - Emergencies and Disaster Preparedness Plan)
(cf. 3516.3 - Earthquake Emergency Procedure System)
(cf. 3517 - Facilities Inspection)
(cf. 4157/4257/4357 - Employee Safety)
(cf. 5142 - Safety)
(cf. 7111 - Evaluating Existing Buildings)

Such strategies shall focus on maximizing healthy indoor air quality; monitoring the quality of outdoor air and adjusting outdoor activities as necessary; reducing exposure to vehicle emissions; minimizing exposure to lead and mercury; reducing the risk of unsafe drinking water; inspecting and properly abating asbestos; appropriately storing, using, and disposing of potentially hazardous substances; using effective least toxic pest management practices; reducing the risk of foodborne illness; and addressing any other environmental hazards identified during facilities inspections.

(cf. 3510 - Green School Operations)
(cf. 3513.3 - Tobacco-Free Schools)
(cf. 3514.1 - Hazardous Substances)
(cf. 3514.2 - Integrated Pest Management)
(cf. 3516.5 - Emergency Schedules)
(cf. 3540 - Transportation)
(cf. 3541.1 - Transportation for School-Related Trips)
(cf. 3542 - School Bus Drivers)
(cf. 3550 - Food Service/Child Nutrition Program)
(cf. 5141.23 - Asthma Management)
(cf. 5141.7 - Sun Safety)
(cf. 5142.2 - Safe Routes to School Program)
(cf. 6142.7 - Physical Education and Activity)
(cf. 6163.2 - Animals at School)
(cf. 7150 - Site Selection and Development)

In developing strategies to promote healthy school environments, the Superintendent or designee may consult and collaborate with local environmental protection agencies, health agencies, water boards, and other community organizations.

(cf. 1020 - Youth Services)

ENVIRONMENTAL SAFETY (continued)

The Superintendent or designee shall provide the district's maintenance and facilities staff, bus drivers, food services staff, teachers, and other staff as appropriate with professional development regarding their responsibilities in implementing strategies to improve and maintain environmentally safe and healthy schools.

(cf. 4131 - Staff Development)

(cf. 4231 - Staff Development)

(cf. 4331 - Staff Development)

The Superintendent or designee shall notify the Board, staff, parents/guardians, students, and/or governmental agencies, as appropriate, if an environmental hazard is discovered at a school site. The notification shall provide information about the district's actions to remedy the hazard and may recommend health screening of staff and students.

(cf. 5141.6 - School Health Services)

Legal Reference:

EDUCATION CODE

17002 Definition of "good repair"

17070.75 Facilities inspection

17582 Deferred maintenance fund

17590 Asbestos abatement fund

17608-17614 Healthy Schools Act of 2000, least toxic pest management practices

32080-32081 Carbon monoxide devices

32240-32245 Lead-Safe Schools Protection Act

48980.3 Notification of pesticides

49410-49410.7 Asbestos materials containment or removal

FOOD AND AGRICULTURAL CODE

11401-12408 Pest control operations and agricultural chemicals

13180-13188 Healthy Schools Act of 2000, least toxic pest management practices

GOVERNMENT CODE

3543.2 Scope of representation; right to negotiate safety conditions

HEALTH AND SAFETY CODE

105400-105430 Indoor environmental quality

113700-114437 California Retail Food Code, sanitation and safety requirements

116277 Lead testing of potable water at schools and requirements to remedy

CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 5

14010 Standards for school site selection

CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 8

337-339 Hazardous substances list

340-340.2 Occupational safety and health, rights of employees

1528-1537 Construction safety orders; exposure to hazards

5139-5223 Control of hazardous substances

CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 13

2025 Retrofitting of diesel school buses

2480 Vehicle idling

CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 17

35001-36100 Lead abatement services

CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 22

64670-64679 Lead and copper in drinking water

Legal Reference: (continued next page)

ENVIRONMENTAL SAFETY (continued)*Legal Reference: (continued)*CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 24*915.1-915.7 California Building Standards Code; carbon monoxide devices*UNITED STATES CODE, TITLE 7*136-136y Use of pesticides*UNITED STATES CODE, TITLE 15*2601-2629 Control of toxic substances**2641-2656 Asbestos Hazard Emergency Response Act*UNITED STATES CODE, TITLE 42*1758 Food safety and inspections*CODE OF FEDERAL REGULATIONS, TITLE 40*141.1-141.723 Drinking water standards**745.61-745.339 Lead-based paint standards**763.80-763.99 Asbestos-containing materials in schools**763.120-763.123 Asbestos worker protections**Management Resources:*CSBA PUBLICATIONS*Indoor Air Quality: Governing Board Actions for Creating Healthy School Environments, Policy Brief, July 2008**Asthma Management in the Schools, Policy Brief, March 2008**Food Safety Requirements, Fact Sheet, October 2007**Sun Safety in Schools, Policy Brief, July 2006*CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION PUBLICATIONS*School Site Selection and Approval Guide, 2000**Indoor Air Quality, A Guide for Educators, 1995*CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES PUBLICATIONS*Report to the Legislature: Lead Hazards in California's Public Elementary Schools and Child Care Facilities, April 1998*CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY: AIR RESOURCES BOARD PUBLICATIONS*Facts about Truck and Bus Regulation School Bus Provisions, rev. March 22, 2011*CALIFORNIA STATE WATER RESOURCES CONTROL BOARD PUBLICATIONS*Frequently Asked Questions about Lead Testing of Drinking Water in California Schools; Updated for Assembly Bill 746/Health and Safety Code 116277, December 15, 2017*DIVISION OF THE STATE ARCHITECT PUBLICATIONS*K-12 Occupancy Classification and Load Factors, IR A-26, rev. April 18, 2012*U.S. ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY PUBLICATIONS*A Citizen's Guide to Radon: The Guide to Protecting Yourself and Your Family from Radon, 2016**Healthy School Environments Assessment Tool, rev. 2015**Indoor Air Quality Tools for Schools, rev. 2009**Mold Remediation in Schools and Commercial Buildings, September 2008**The ABCs of Asbestos in Schools, rev. August 2003**How to Manage Asbestos in School Buildings: AHERA Designated Person's Self-Study Guide, 1996*WEB SITES*CSBA: <http://www.csba.org>**AirNow: <http://www.airnow.gov>**American Association of School Administrators: <http://www.aasa.org>**California Air Resources Board: <http://www.arb.ca.gov>**California Building Standards: <http://www.bsc.ca.gov/codes.aspx>**California Department of Education, Health and Safety: <http://www.cde.ca.gov/ls/fa/hs>**California Department of Pesticide Regulation: <http://www.cdpr.ca.gov>**Management Resources: (continued next page)*

ENVIRONMENTAL SAFETY (continued)

Management Resources: (see next page)

California Department of Public Health: <http://www.cdph.ca.gov>

California State Water Resources Control Board: <http://www.waterboards.ca.gov>

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention: <http://www.cdc.gov>

Consumer Product Safety Commission: <http://www.cpsc.gov>

National Center for Environmental Health: <http://www.cdc.gov/nceh>

Occupational Safety and Health Administration: <http://www.osha.gov>

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency: <http://www.epa.gov>

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BIGGS UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

Biggs, California

ENVIRONMENTAL SAFETY

The Superintendent may designate and train one or more employees to oversee and coordinate the district's environmental safety program(s). The responsibilities of the coordinator(s) shall include, but are not limited to, overseeing assessments of district facilities, recommending strategies for the prevention and mitigation of environmental health risks, ensuring effective implementation of environmental safety strategies, and reporting to the Superintendent regarding the district's progress in addressing environmental safety concerns.

(cf. [3510](#) - *Green School Operations*)

(cf. [3511](#) - *Energy and Water Management*)

(cf. [3517](#) - *Facilities Inspection*)

(cf. [4157/4257/4357](#) - *Employee Safety*)

(cf. [5142](#) - *Safety*)

(cf. [7111](#) - *Evaluating Existing Buildings*)

(cf. [7150](#) - *Site Selection and Development*)

Indoor Air Quality

In order to provide proper ventilation, humidity, and temperature in school facilities and to reduce indoor air contaminants, the following strategies shall be implemented:

1. Mechanically driven heating, ventilation, and air conditioning systems shall be operated continuously during working hours except under the circumstances specified in 8 CCR [5142](#). The systems shall be inspected at least annually and problems corrected within a reasonable time. Where the air supply is filtered, the filters shall be replaced or cleaned regularly to prevent significant reductions in airflow. Documentation of inspections, tests of ventilation rates, and maintenance shall be retained for at least five years. (8 CCR [5142-5143](#))

(cf. [3580](#) - *District Records*)

Staff shall ensure that airflow is not obstructed by the blocking of ventilators with posters, furniture, books, or other obstacles.

2. School facilities shall be regularly inspected for water damage, spills, leaks in plumbing and roofs, poor drainage, and improper ventilation so as to preclude the buildup of mold and mildew and prevent accidents due to unsafe conditions. Wet building materials and furnishings shall be dried within 48 hours if possible to prevent mold growth. When evidence of mold or mildew is found, maintenance staff shall locate and repair the source of water intrusion and remove or clean moldy materials.
3. Exterior wall and foundation cracks and openings shall be sealed as soon as possible to minimize seepage of radon into buildings from surrounding soils.

ENVIRONMENTAL SAFETY (continued)

4. Least toxic pest management practices shall be used to control and manage pests at school sites. (Education Code [17608-17614](#); Food and Agriculture Code 13182)

(cf. [3514.2](#) - *Integrated Pest Management*)

5. A carbon monoxide detector or alarm shall be installed in all school buildings that contain a fuel-burning appliance, fireplace, or forced-air furnace, unless otherwise exempted by state law or regulations. The device or alarm shall be located in close proximity to the appliance in order to accurately detect and alert school personnel of any leakage of carbon monoxide. (24 CCR 915.1-915.7)

6. Schedules and practices for routine housekeeping and maintenance shall be designed to effectively reduce levels of dust, dirt, and debris. Plain water, soap and water, or low-emission cleaning products shall be used whenever possible. Aerosols, including air fresheners and other products containing ozone, shall be avoided to the extent possible.

(cf. [5141.23](#) - *Asthma Management*)

7. Painting of school facilities and maintenance or repair activities that require the use of potentially harmful substances shall be limited to those times when school is not in session. Following any such activity, the facility shall be properly ventilated with adequate time allowed prior to reopening for use by any person.

8. Paints, adhesives, and solvents shall be used and stored in well-ventilated areas. These items shall be purchased in small quantities to avoid storage exposure.

(cf. [3514.1](#) - *Hazardous Substances*)

9. To the extent possible, printing and duplicating equipment that may generate indoor air pollutants, such as methyl alcohol or ammonia, shall be placed in locations that are well ventilated and not frequented by students and staff.

10. The district's tobacco-free schools policy shall be consistently enforced in order to reduce the health risks caused by second-hand smoke.

(cf. [3513.3](#) - *Tobacco-Free Schools*)

11. Staff and students shall be asked to refrain from bringing common irritants such as furred or feathered animals, stuffed toys that may collect dust mites, scented candles, incense, or air fresheners and from using perfume or cologne, scented lotion or hair spray, nail polish or nail polish remover, or other personal care products that are not fragrance-free in classrooms, school buses, or other enclosed areas or buildings.

(cf. [6163.2](#) - *Animals at School*)

ENVIRONMENTAL SAFETY (continued)**Outdoor Air Quality**

The Superintendent or designee may coordinate with the local air resources control board and monitor local health advisories and outdoor air quality alerts to obtain forecasts of ozone levels, particle pollution, ultraviolet radiation levels, and/or temperature and humidity.

Whenever a forecast indicates a significant health risk, the Superintendent or designee shall communicate with each principal so that outdoor activities, especially those requiring prolonged or heavy exertion, may be avoided, limited in duration, or modified as necessary for all persons or for persons who may be particularly susceptible to the health risk involved.

(cf. [3516](#) - *Emergencies and Disaster Preparedness Plan*)

(cf. [3516.5](#) - *Emergency Schedules*)

(cf. [5141.7](#) - *Sun Safety*)

(cf. [6142.7](#) - *Physical Education and Activity*)

(cf. [6145](#) - *Extracurricular and Cocurricular Activities*)

(cf. [6145.2](#) - *Athletic Competition*)

Reduction of Vehicle Emissions

In order to reduce public exposure to toxic air contaminants, school bus drivers and other drivers of commercial motor vehicles shall limit unnecessary idling of vehicles at or near schools in accordance with 13 CCR [2480](#). The Superintendent or designee may also request parents/guardians to turn off their vehicles when they are idling on school grounds and encourage students to walk and/or bicycle to school.

(cf. [3540](#) - *Transportation*)

(cf. [3541.1](#) - *Transportation for School-Related Trips*)

(cf. [3542](#) - *School Bus Drivers*)

(cf. [5142.2](#) - *Safe Routes to School Program*)

Any school bus that is diesel-fueled, dual-fueled, or alternative diesel-fueled and has a gross vehicle weight rating over 14,000 pounds shall be equipped with a particulate filter designed to reduce particulate matter emissions, oxides of nitrogen emissions, and other pollutants. (13 CCR 2025)

Drinking Water Safety

The quality and safety of the district's drinking water sources shall be regularly assessed, and drinking fountains shall be regularly cleaned and maintained, to ensure that drinking water consumed at school does not contain dirt, mold, lead, or other impurities or contaminants that may cause serious health concerns.

Whenever any contaminants in the drinking water are determined to be a concern, the Superintendent or designee shall take reasonable steps to identify the source and mitigate any potential problem to ensure the availability of safe drinking water. As needed, the Superintendent or designee shall provide alternative sources of drinking water, such as

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bottled water or on-site water filtration, to ensure that students have access to fresh drinking water at mealtimes and at other times throughout the day.

(cf. [3550](#) - Food Service/Child Nutrition Program)

Whenever testing of drinking water finds concentrations of lead that exceed federal and state standards, the Superintendent or designee shall notify parents/guardians and take immediate steps to shut down and make inoperable any fountains or faucets where excess lead levels may exist.

Prevention of Lead Exposure

In addition to testing for the presence of lead in drinking water in district schools, the following steps shall be taken to minimize potential exposure to lead in school facilities:

1. School facilities shall be kept as dust-free and clean as possible.
2. Lead-based paint, lead plumbing and solders, or other potential sources of lead contamination shall not be used in the construction of any new school facility or the modernization or renovation of any existing school facility. (Education Code [32244](#))
3. Lead exposure hazards shall be evaluated before any renovation or remodeling is begun, and children shall not be allowed in or near buildings in which these activities may create lead dust. Contractors and workers shall comply with state and federal standards related to the handling and disposal of lead debris and the clean-up and containment of dust within the construction area.
4. Lead-based painted surfaces that are in good condition shall be kept intact. If lead-based paint is peeling, flaking, or chalking, contractors or workers shall follow state and federal standards for safe work practices to minimize contamination when removing the paint.
5. Soil with low lead content may be covered with grass, other plantings, concrete, or asphalt. For soil with high lead content, removal and abatement are required.

Any action to abate existing lead hazards shall be taken only by contractors, inspectors, and workers certified by the California Department of Public Health in accordance with 17 CCR [35001-35099](#). (Education Code [32243](#))

The Superintendent or designee shall notify parent/guardians, teachers, and staff members if significant risk factors for lead exposure are found. (Education Code [32243](#))

Prevention of Mercury Exposure

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The Superintendent or designee shall identify any mercury-containing products that are present in district facilities and, to the extent possible, shall replace them with mercury-free alternatives.

Staff shall receive information about proper procedures to follow in the event of a mercury spill. Clean-up instructions, a clearly labeled kit with necessary clean-up supplies, and a list of local resources shall be readily accessible.

In the event of a spill, staff shall evacuate all students from the immediate area of the spill, ensure that any clothing or other items with mercury on them remain in the room, open windows to the outside, and close doors to other parts of the school. Staff who are trained in proper clean-up procedures may carefully clean a small spill. As needed for larger or difficult-to-clean spills, the Superintendent or designee shall use an experienced professional referred by the local health department or environmental agency.

Any products containing mercury shall be properly disposed at an appropriate hazardous waste collection facility.

Asbestos Management

The Superintendent shall designate an employee who shall ensure that the district's responsibilities related to asbestos inspection and abatement are implemented in accordance with federal and state regulations. This employee shall receive adequate training to perform these duties, including, as necessary, training on the health effects of asbestos; detection, identification, and assessment of asbestos-containing building materials; options for controlling asbestos-containing building materials; asbestos management programs; and relevant federal and state regulations. (40 CFR [763.84](#))

(cf. [4231](#) - Staff Development)

(cf. [4331](#) - Staff Development)

The designated employee shall ensure that the district complies with the following requirements:

1. School facilities shall be inspected for asbestos-containing building materials as necessary in accordance with the following:
 - a. Any school building that is leased, acquired, or otherwise used by the district shall be inspected for asbestos-containing building materials prior to its use as a school building, unless exempted by federal regulations. (40 CFR [763.85](#), [763.99](#))
 - b. At least once every six months, the district shall conduct a periodic surveillance consisting of a visual inspection of each school building that

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contains or is assumed to contain asbestos-containing building materials. (40 CFR [763.92](#))

- c. At least once every three years, the district shall conduct a re-inspection of all known or assumed asbestos-containing building materials in each school building. (40 CFR [763.85](#))
2. Based on the results of the inspection, an appropriate response which is sufficient to protect human health and the environment shall be determined from among the options specified in 40 CFR [763.90](#). The district may select the least burdensome response, taking into consideration local circumstances, including occupancy and use patterns within the school building and economic concerns such as short-term and long-term costs. (40 CFR [763.90](#))
3. An asbestos management plan for each school site shall be maintained and regularly updated to keep it current with ongoing operations and maintenance, periodic surveillance, inspection, re-inspection, and response action activities. (15 USC [2643](#); 40 CFR [763.93](#))

The asbestos management plan shall be available for inspection in district and school offices during normal business hours. Parent/guardian, teacher, and employee organizations shall be annually informed of the availability of these plans. (40 CFR [763.84](#), [763.93](#))

(cf. [4112.9/4212.9/4312.9](#) - Employee Notifications)

(cf. [5145.6](#) - Parental Notifications)

4. Staff, students, and parents/guardians shall be informed at least once each school year about any inspections, response actions, and post-response actions, including periodic re-inspection and surveillance activities, that are planned or in progress. (40 CFR [763.84](#))
5. Inspections, re-inspections, periodic surveillance, and response actions, including operations and maintenance, shall be conducted in compliance with state and federal regulations for the protection and safety of workers and all other individuals. (Education Code [49410.5](#); 40 CFR [763.84](#), [763.90](#))

Asbestos inspection and abatement work, preparation of a management plan, and any maintenance activities that may disturb asbestos-containing building materials, except for emergency repairs or small-scale, short-duration maintenance activities, shall be completed by state-certified asbestos inspectors or contractors. (15 USC [2646](#); 40 CFR [763.84](#), [763.85](#), [763.91](#))

6. All custodial and maintenance employees shall be properly trained in accordance with applicable federal and/or state regulations. (40 CFR [763.84](#))

ENVIRONMENTAL SAFETY (continued)

All district maintenance and custodial staff who may work in a building that contains asbestos-containing building materials, regardless of whether they are required to work with such materials, shall receive at least two hours of related asbestos awareness training. New maintenance and custodial staff shall receive such training within 60 days after beginning employment. Any maintenance or custodial staff who conduct activities that will disturb asbestos-containing building materials shall receive 14 hours of additional training. The trainings shall address the topics specified in 40 CFR [763.92](#). (15 USC [2655](#); 40 CFR [763.84](#), [763.92](#))

7. Short-term workers, such as telephone repair workers, utility workers, or exterminators, who may come in contact with asbestos in a school shall be provided information regarding the locations of known or suspected asbestos-containing building materials. (40 CFR [763.84](#))
8. Warning labels shall be posted immediately adjacent to any known or suspected asbestos-containing building material located in routine maintenance areas in accordance with 40 CFR [763.95](#). (40 CFR [763.84](#))

The district shall maintain, in both the district and school offices and for a period of three years, records pertaining to each preventive measure and response action taken; staff training; periodic surveillances conducted; cleaning, operations, and maintenance activities; and any fiber release episode. (40 CFR [763.94](#))

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BIGGS UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
 Biggs, California

Board Policy

Business and Noninstructional Operations

BP 3514.1(a)

HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCES

The Board of Trustees desires to provide a safe school environment that protects students and employees from exposure to any potentially hazardous substances used in the district's educational program and in the maintenance and operation of district facilities and equipment.

(cf. 3514 - Environmental Safety)

(cf. 4119.42/4219.42/4319.42 - Exposure Control Plan for Bloodborne Pathogens)

(cf. 4157/4257/4357 - Employee Safety)

(cf. 5141.22 - Infectious Diseases)

(cf. 5142 - Safety)

Insofar as reasonably possible, the Superintendent or designee shall minimize the quantities of hazardous substances stored and used on school property. When hazardous substances must be used, the Superintendent or designee shall give preference to materials that cause the least risk to people and the environment.

(cf. 3510 - Green School Operations)

(cf. 3514.2 - Integrated Pest Management)

The Superintendent or designee shall ensure that all potentially hazardous substances on district properties are inventoried, used, stored, and regularly disposed of in a safe and legal manner.

The Superintendent or designee shall develop, implement, and maintain a written hazard communication program in accordance with 8 CCR 5194 and shall ensure that employees, students, and others as necessary are fully informed about the properties and potential hazards of substances to which they may be exposed.

(cf. 1240 - Volunteer Assistance)

The Superintendent or designee shall develop specific measures to ensure the safety of students and staff in school laboratories where hazardous chemicals are used. Such measures shall include the development and implementation of a chemical hygiene plan in accordance with 8 CCR 5191 and instruction to students about proper handling of hazardous substances.

(cf. 6142.93 - Science Instruction)

The Superintendent or designee shall not order or purchase for use in grades K-6 any arts and crafts materials containing a substance determined by the California Office of Environmental Health Hazard Assessment to be toxic. The Superintendent or designee shall not purchase any such toxic material for use in grades 7-12 unless it includes a warning label as specified

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in Education Code 32065 that identifies any toxic ingredients, warns of potential adverse health effects, and describes procedures for safe use and storage. (Education Code 32064)

*Legal Reference:*EDUCATION CODE

32060-32066 Toxic art supplies in schools

49340-49341 Hazardous substances education

49401.5 Legislative intent; consultation services

49411 Chemical listing; compounds used in school programs; determination of shelf life; disposal

FOOD AND AGRICULTURAL CODE

12981 Regulations re pesticides and worker safety

HEALTH AND SAFETY CODE

25163 Transportation of hazardous wastes; registration; exemptions; inspection

25500-25520 Hazardous materials release response plans; inventory

108100-108515 California Hazardous Substances Act

LABOR CODE

6360-6363 Hazardous Substances Information and Training Act

6380-6386 List of hazardous substances

CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 8

339 List of hazardous substances

3203 Illness and injury prevention program

3204 Records of employee exposure to toxic or harmful substances

5139-5230 Control of hazardous substances, especially

5154.1-5154.2 Ventilation

5161 Definitions

5162 Emergency eyewash and shower equipment

5163 Control of spills

5164 Storage of hazardous substances

5191 Occupational exposure to hazardous chemicals in laboratories; chemical hygiene plan

5194 Hazard communication

CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 22

67450.40-67450.49 School hazardous waste collection, consolidation, and accumulation facilities

*Management Resources:*CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION PUBLICATIONS

Science Safety Handbook for California Public Schools, 2012

CALIFORNIA OFFICE OF ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH HAZARD ASSESSMENT PUBLICATIONS

Art and Craft Materials in Schools: Guidelines for Purchasing and Safe Use, September 17, 2016

WEB SITES

CSBA: <http://www.csba.org>

California Department of Education: <http://cde.ca.gov>

California Office of Environmental Health Hazard Assessment: <http://www.oehha.ca.gov>

Department of Industrial Relations, Cal/OSHA: <http://www.dir.ca.gov/dosh>

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BIGGS UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

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HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCES

Cautionary Notice 2010-13: AB 1610 (Ch. 724, Statutes of 2010) amended Education Code 37252.2 and Government Code 17581.5 to relieve districts from the obligation, until July 1, 2013, to perform any activities that are deemed to be reimbursable state mandates under those sections. As a result, certain provisions of the following policy or administrative regulation that reflect those requirements may be suspended.

Hazardous substance means a substance, material, or mixture which is likely to cause illness or injury by reason of being explosive, flammable, poisonous, corrosive, oxidizing, an irritant, or otherwise harmful. Hazardous substances, as identified by the Department of Industrial Relations, are listed in 8 CCR 339. (8 CCR 339, 5161)

Storage and Disposal of Chemicals

The Superintendent or designee shall adopt measures to ensure that hazardous substances on any district property are stored and disposed of properly in accordance with law. Such measures shall include, but are not limited to, the following: (8 CCR 5164)

1. Substances which react violently or evolve toxic vapors or gases when mixed, or which in combination become toxic, flammable, explosive, or otherwise hazardous, shall be separated from each other in storage by distance, partitions, secondary containment, or otherwise so as to preclude accidental contact between them.
2. Hazardous substances shall be stored in containers which are chemically inert to and appropriate for the type and quantity of the hazardous substance.
3. Containers of hazardous substances shall not be stored in such locations or manner as to result in physical damage to or deterioration of the container or where they are exposed to heat sufficient to rupture the container or to cause leakage.
4. Containers used to package a substance which gives off toxic, poisonous, corrosive, asphyxiant, suffocant, or anesthetic fumes, gases, or vapors in hazardous amounts, excluding small quantities of such materials kept in closed containers or materials kept in tank cars or trucks, shall not be stored in locations where it could be reasonably anticipated that persons would be exposed.

(cf. 3514 - Environmental Safety)

The Superintendent or designee shall regularly remove and dispose of all chemicals whose estimated shelf life has elapsed. (Education Code 49411)

HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCES (continued)**Hazard Communication Program**

The district's written hazard communication program shall include at least the components listed below and shall be available upon request to all employees and their designated representatives. The program shall apply to any hazardous substance which is known to be present in the workplace in such a manner that employees may be exposed under normal conditions of use or in a reasonably foreseeable emergency resulting from workplace operations. (8 CCR 5194)

1. Container Labeling

No container of hazardous substance, unless exempted by law, shall be accepted by the district or any district school unless labeled, tagged, or marked by the supplier with the identity of the hazardous substance, hazard warning statements, and the name and address of the chemical manufacturer or importer. No label on an incoming container shall be removed or intentionally defaced unless the container is immediately marked with the required information.

Whenever hazardous substances are transferred from their original containers to other containers, the secondary containers shall likewise be labeled with the identity and hazard warning statement, unless the substances are intended only for the immediate use of the employee who performs the transfer.

2. Safety Data Sheets

Upon receiving a hazardous substance or mixture, the Superintendent or designee shall ensure that the manufacturer or importer has furnished a safety data sheet (SDS) as required by law. If the SDS is missing or obviously incomplete, the Superintendent or designee shall, within seven working days of noting the missing or incomplete information, request a new SDS from the manufacturer or importer. If a response is not received within 25 working days, the Superintendent or designee shall send a copy of the district's written inquiry to the California Occupational Safety and Health Division (Cal/OSHA). (8 CCR 5194)

The Superintendent or designee shall maintain the required SDS for each hazardous substance in the workplace and shall ensure that it is readily accessible to employees in their work area during working hours. The SDS may be maintained in paper copy, electronically, or through other means, provided that employees have immediate access and understand how to use the alternative system.

3. Employee Information and Training

HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCES (continued)

Employees shall receive information and training on hazardous substances in their work area at the time of their initial assignment and whenever a new hazard is introduced into their work area. The information and training shall include, but are not limited to, the following topics: (8 CCR 5194)

- a. The requirements of 8 CCR 5194, including employee rights described therein
- b. The location and availability of the district's written hazard communication program, including the list of hazardous materials and all SDS
- c. Any operations in the work area where hazardous substances are present
- d. The physical and health effects of the hazardous substances in the work area
- e. Methods and observations that may be used to detect the presence or release of hazardous substances in the work area
- f. Measures that employees can take to protect themselves from exposure to hazardous substances, including specific procedures the district has implemented to protect employees, such as appropriate work practices, emergency procedures, and personal protective equipment to be used
- g. How to read and use the labels and SDS

(cf. 4112.9/4212.9/4312.9 - Employee Notifications)

(cf. 4131 - Staff Development)

(cf. 4231 - Staff Development)

(cf. 4331 - Staff Development)

4. List of Hazardous Substances

The written hazard communication program shall include a list of the hazardous substances known to be present in the workplace as a whole or for individual work areas. (8 CCR 5194)

5. Hazardous Nonroutine Tasks

When employees are required to perform hazardous nonroutine tasks or to work on unlabeled pipes that contain hazards, they shall first receive information about the specific hazards to which they may be exposed during this activity and the protective/safety measures which must be used, such as ventilation, respirators, other personal protective equipment, and/or the presence of another employee. They shall also receive information about emergency procedures to follow if accidentally exposed to the hazardous substance.

HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCES (continued)**6. Information to Contractors**

To ensure that outside contractors and their employees work safely in district facilities, the Superintendent or designee shall inform contractors of hazardous substances which are present on the site and precautions that they may take to lessen the possibility of exposure. It shall be the contractor's responsibility to disseminate this information to his/her employees and subcontractors.

Chemical Hygiene Plan

The district's chemical hygiene plan shall address exposure to hazardous chemicals in school laboratories and shall include the following components: (8 CCR 5191)

1. Standard operating procedures relevant to safety and health considerations to be followed when laboratory work involves the use of hazardous chemicals
2. Criteria that the district will use to determine and implement control measures to reduce exposure to hazardous chemicals, including engineering controls, the use of personal protective equipment, and hygiene practices
3. A requirement that protective equipment comply with state regulations and that specific measures be taken to ensure proper and adequate performance of such equipment
4. Provision of specified information at the time of an employee's initial assignment to a work area where hazardous chemicals are present and prior to assignments involving new exposure situations
5. Provision of specified employee training in accordance with the schedule determined by the Superintendent or designee
6. The circumstances under which a particular laboratory operation, procedure, or activity shall require prior approval of the Superintendent or designee before implementation
7. Provisions for medical consultations and examinations whenever there is evidence, as specified, that the employee may have been exposed to a hazardous chemical
8. Designation of an employee, who is qualified by training or experience, to serve as the district's chemical hygiene officer to provide technical guidance in the development and implementation of the chemical hygiene plan

HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCES (continued)

9. Provisions for additional employee protection for work with particularly hazardous substances, as specified

The plan shall be readily available to employees and employee representatives, and, upon request, to Cal/OSHA. (8 CCR 5191)

The Superintendent or designee shall review and evaluate the effectiveness of the chemical hygiene plan at least annually and shall update it as necessary. (8 CCR 5191)

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BIGGS UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
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INTEGRATED PEST MANAGEMENT

Definitions

Integrated pest management (IPM) means a strategy that focuses on long-term prevention or suppression of pest problems through a combination of techniques such as monitoring for pest presence and establishing treatment threshold levels, using nonchemical practices to make the habitat less conducive to pest development, improving sanitation, and employing mechanical and physical controls. (Education Code 17609; Food and Agricultural Code 13181)

(cf. 3510 - Green School Operations)

School site means any facility used as a child day care facility or for kindergarten, elementary, or secondary school purposes and includes the buildings or structures, playgrounds, athletic fields, vehicles, or any other area of property visited or used by students. (Education Code 17609)

Program Components

The Superintendent or designee shall designate an employee at the district office and/or school site to develop, implement, and coordinate an IPM strategy that incorporates effective, least toxic pest management practices.

The IPM coordinator shall prepare and annually update a districtwide or school site IPM plan based on the template provided by the California Department of Pesticide Regulation (DPR).

The IPM plan shall include the name of the district and/or school IPM coordinator, the pesticides expected to be applied at the school site by district employees and/or pest control applicators, and a date that the plan shall be reviewed and, if necessary, updated. (Education Code 17611.5)

The district shall use pesticides that pose the least possible hazard and are effective in a manner that minimizes risks to people, property, and the environment. Such pesticides shall only be used after careful monitoring indicates they are needed according to pre-established guidelines and treatment thresholds. (Food and Agricultural Code 13181)

The IPM plan and this administrative regulation shall not apply to reduced-risk pesticides, including self-contained baits or traps, gels or pastes used for crack and crevice treatments, antimicrobials, and pesticides exempt from registration by law. (Education Code 17610.5; 3 CCR 6147)

The district's program shall include, but not necessarily be limited to, the following components:

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1. Identifying and monitoring pest population levels and identifying practices that could affect pest populations. Strategies for managing the pest shall be influenced by the pest species and whether that species poses a threat to people, property, or the environment.
2. Setting action threshold levels to determine when pest populations or vegetation at a specific location might cause unacceptable health or economic hazards that would indicate corrective action should be taken.
3. Modifying or eliminating pest habitats to deter pest populations and minimize pest infestations.
4. Considering a full range of possible alternative cost-effective treatments. Such alternative treatments may include taking no action or controlling the pest by physical, horticultural, or biological methods. Cost or staffing considerations alone will not be adequate justification for the use of chemical control agents.
5. Selecting nonchemical pest management methods over chemical methods whenever such methods are effective in providing the desired control or, when it is determined that chemical methods must be used, giving preference to those chemicals that pose the least hazardous effects to people and the environment.

No pesticide that is prohibited by DPR or the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, as listed on the DPR web site, shall be used at a school site. (Education Code 17610.1)

6. Limiting pesticide purchases to amounts needed for the year. Pesticides shall be stored at a secure location that is not accessible to students and unauthorized staff. They shall be stored and disposed of in accordance with state regulations and product label directions.

(cf. 3514 - Environmental Safety)

(cf. 3514.1 - Hazardous Substances)

7. Informing parents/guardians and employees regarding pesticide use as described in the sections "Notifications" and "Warning Signs" below.
8. Ensuring that persons applying pesticides follow label precautions and are sufficiently trained in the principles and practices of IPM as described in the section "Training" below.
9. Evaluating the effectiveness of treatments to determine if revisions to the IPM plan are needed.

INTEGRATED PEST MANAGEMENT (continued)**Training**

The IPM coordinator and any employee or contractor who may be designated to apply a pesticide at a school site shall annually complete a DPR-approved training course on IPM and the safe use of pesticides in relation to the unique nature of school sites and children's health. (Education Code 17614; Food and Agricultural Code 13186.5)

(cf. 4231 - Staff Development)

Any district employee who handles pesticides shall also receive pesticide-specific safety training prior to applying pesticides and annually thereafter in accordance with 3 CCR 6724.

Notifications

Staff and parents/guardians of students enrolled at a school site shall be annually notified, in writing, regarding pesticide products expected to be applied at the school site in the upcoming year. The notification shall include at least the following: (Education Code 17612)

1. The name of each pesticide product expected to be applied in the upcoming year and the active ingredient(s) in it
2. The Internet address (<http://www.cdpr.ca.gov/schoolipm>) used to access information on pesticides and pesticide use reduction developed by the DPR pursuant to Food and Agricultural Code 13184
3. If the school has posted its IPM plan, the Internet address where the plan may be found
4. The opportunity to view a copy of the IPM plan in the school office
5. An opportunity for interested persons to register to receive prior notification of each application of a pesticide at the school site
6. Other information deemed necessary by the IPM coordinator

(cf. 1312.4 - Williams Uniform Complaint Procedures)

(cf. 3517 - Facilities Inspection)

(cf. 4112.9/4212.9/4312.9 - Employee Notifications)

(cf. 5145.6 - Parental Notifications)

If a pesticide product not included in the annual notification is subsequently intended for use at a school site, the IPM coordinator shall provide written notification of its intended use to staff and parents/guardians of students enrolled at the school, at least 72 hours prior to the application. (Education Code 17612)

INTEGRATED PEST MANAGEMENT (continued)

If a school chooses to use a pesticide not exempted pursuant to Education Code 17610.5, it shall post the school or district IPM plan on the school's web site or, if the school does not have a web site, then on the district web site. If neither the school nor district has a web site, then the IPM plan shall be included with the annual notification sent to staff and parents/guardians pursuant to Education Code 17612 as described above. When not required, the IPM coordinator may post or distribute the IPM plan at his/her discretion. (Education Code 17611.5)

Whenever the IPM coordinator deems that the immediate use of a pesticide is necessary to protect the health and safety of students, staff, or other persons at the school site, he/she shall make every effort to provide the required notifications prior to the application of the pesticide. (Education Code 17612)

Warning Signs

The IPM coordinator shall post a warning sign at each area of the school site where pesticides will be applied that shall be visible to all persons entering the treated area. The sign shall be posted at least 24 hours prior to the application and shall remain posted until 72 hours after the application. The warning sign shall prominently display the following information: (Education Code 17612)

1. The term "Warning/Pesticide Treated Area"
2. The product name, manufacturer's name, and the EPA's product registration number
3. Intended areas and dates of application
4. Reason for the pesticide application

When advance posting is not possible due to an emergency condition requiring immediate use of a pesticide to protect the health and safety of students, staff, or other persons or the school site, the warning sign shall be posted immediately upon application and shall remain posted until 72 hours after the application. (Education Code 17609, 17612)

Records

At the end of each calendar year, the IPM coordinator shall submit to DPR, on a form provided by DPR, a copy of the records of all pesticide use at the school site for that year, excluding any pesticides exempted by law and any pesticide use reported by the pest control operator pursuant to Food and Agricultural Code 13186. The IPM coordinator may submit more frequent reports at his/her discretion. (Education Code 17611)

Each school site shall maintain records of all pesticide use at the school for four years, and shall make the information available to the public, upon request, in accordance with the California Public Records Act. A school may meet this requirement by retaining a copy of

INTEGRATED PEST MANAGEMENT (continued)

the warning sign posted for each pesticide application with a recording on that copy of the amount of the pesticide used. (Education Code 17611)

(cf. 1340 - Access to District Records)

(cf. 3580 - District Records)

Pesticide Use near School Site

Upon receiving notification pursuant to 3 CCR 6692 that a grower expects to use agricultural pesticides within one-quarter mile of a school site Monday through Friday from 6:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., the principal or designee shall notify the Superintendent or designee, IPM coordinator, staff at the school site, and parents/guardians of students enrolled at the school.

The principal or designee may communicate with any grower within one-quarter mile of the school to request that the grower not apply pesticides during evenings or weekends when school activities are scheduled.

*Legal Reference:*EDUCATION CODE

17366 Legislative intent (fitness of buildings for occupancy)

17608-17614 Healthy Schools Act of 2000

48980 Notice at beginning of term

48980.3 Notification of pesticides

BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONS CODE

8593.2 Licensed pest control operators; training requirements

FOOD AND AGRICULTURAL CODE

11401-12408 Pest control operations and agricultural chemicals

13180-13188 Healthy Schools Act of 2000

GOVERNMENT CODE

3543.2 Scope of representation; right to negotiate safety conditions

6250-6270 California Public Records Act

CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 3

6147 Pesticides exempted from registration requirements

6690-6692 Pesticide use near school sites

6724 Training of employees handling pesticides

CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 8

340-340.2 Employer's obligation to provide safety information

UNITED STATES CODE, TITLE 7

136-136y Insecticide, Fungicide and Rodenticide Act

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INTEGRATED PEST MANAGEMENT (continued)*Management Resources:*CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF PESTICIDE REGULATION PUBLICATIONS*California School IPM Model Program Guidebook**Healthy Schools Act Requirements for Public K-12 Schools**School District Integrated Pest Management Plan Template*U.S. ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY*Pest Control in the School Environment: Implementing Integrated Pest Management (IPM), May 2017*WEB SITES*California Department of Education: <http://www.cde.ca.gov>**California Department of Pesticide Regulation, School IPM: <http://www.cdpr.ca.gov/schoolipm>**U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Integrated Pest Management at Schools: <http://www.epa.gov/managing-pests-schools>**(3/06 4/15) 3/18*

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BIGGS UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

Biggs, California

CAMPUS SECURITY

The Board of Trustees is committed to providing a school environment that promotes the safety of students, staff, and visitors to school grounds. The Board also recognizes the importance of protecting district property, facilities, and equipment from vandalism and theft.

(cf. [4158/4258/4358](#) - Employee Security)

(cf. [5131.5](#) - Vandalism and Graffiti)

(cf. [5142](#) - Safety)

The Superintendent or designee shall develop campus security procedures, which may be included in the district's comprehensive safety plan and/or site-level safety plans. Such procedures shall be regularly reviewed to reflect changed circumstances and to assess their effectiveness in achieving safe school objectives.

Additionally, the Superintendent or designee shall regularly review current guidance regarding cybersecurity and digital media awareness and incorporate recommended practices into the district's processes and procedures related to the protection of the district's network infrastructure, and the monitoring and response to suspicious and/or threatening digital media content.

(cf. [0450](#) - Comprehensive Safety Plan)

Reporting and Responding to Threats

Any certificated or classified employee, or other school official, whose duties bring the employee or other school official in contact on a regular basis with students in any of grades 6-12, as part of a middle or high school, who are alerted to or observe any threat or perceived threat of a homicidal act, as defined, shall immediately report the threat or perceived threat to law enforcement in accordance with Education Code 49393. (Education Code 49390, 49393)

Threat or perceived threat means any writing or action of a student that creates a reasonable suspicion that the student is preparing to commit a homicidal act related to school or a school activity. This may include possession, use, or depictions of firearms, ammunition, shootings, or targets in association with infliction of physical harm, destruction, or death in a social media post, journal, class note, or other media associated with the student. It may also include a warning by a parent, student, or other individual. (Education Code 49390)

Additionally, anyone who receives or learns of a health or safety threat related to school or a school activity is encouraged to report the threat to a school or district administrator.

The Superintendent or designee may form a multidisciplinary team in order to identify, inquire, assess, and manage potentially threatening student behavior.

Surveillance Systems

In consultation with the district's school site council, safety planning committee, other relevant stakeholders, and staff, the Superintendent or designee shall identify appropriate locations for the placement of surveillance cameras. Cameras shall not be placed in areas where students, staff, or community members have a reasonable expectation of privacy. Any audio capability on the district's surveillance equipment shall be disabled so that sounds are not recorded.

CAMPUS SECURITY – continued

Prior to the operation of the surveillance system, the Superintendent or designee shall ensure that signs are posted at conspicuous and targeted locations around school buildings and grounds. Such signs shall state that the facility uses video surveillance equipment for security purposes and that the equipment may or may not be actively monitored at any time. The Superintendent or designee shall also provide prior written notice to students and parents/guardians about the district's surveillance system, including the locations where surveillance may occur and that the recordings may be used in disciplinary proceedings and/or referred to local law enforcement, as appropriate.

(cf. [5144](#) - Discipline)

(cf. [5144.1](#) - Suspension and Expulsion/Due Process)

To the extent that any images from the district's surveillance system create a student or personnel record, the Superintendent or designee shall ensure that the images are accessed, retained, and disclosed in accordance with law, Board policy, administrative regulation, and any applicable collective bargaining agreements.

(cf. [4112.6/4212.6/4312.6](#) - Personnel Files)

(cf. [5125](#) - Student Records)

(cf. [5125.1](#) - Release of Directory Information)

Legal Reference:

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[17070.10-17079.30](#) Leroy F. Greene School Facilities Act, especially:

[17075.50](#) Classroom security locks, new construction projects

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[32211](#) Threatened disruption or interference with classes

[32280-32289](#) School safety plans

[35160](#) Authority of governing boards

[35160.1](#) Broad authority of school districts

[38000-38005](#) Security departments

[49050-49051](#) Searches by school employees

[49060-49079](#) Student records

PENAL CODE

[469](#) Unauthorized making, duplicating or possession of key to public building

[626-626.11](#) Disruption of schools

CALIFORNIA CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 24

1010.1.9 Door operations

1010.1.11 Lockable doors from the inside

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Article 1, Section 28(c) Right to Safe Schools

UNITED STATES CODE, TITLE 20

[1232g](#) Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act

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BIGGS UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

Biggs, California

CAMPUS SECURITY

The Superintendent or designee shall develop a campus security plan for each school site which contributes to a positive school climate, fosters social and emotional learning and student well-being, and includes strategies to:

1. Secure the campus perimeter and school facilities in order to prevent criminal activity

These strategies include a risk management analysis of each campus' security system, lighting system, and fencing. Procedures to ensure unobstructed views and eliminate blind spots caused by doorways and landscaping shall also be considered. Additionally, parking lot design may be studied, including methods to discourage through traffic.

2. Secure buildings and interior spaces from outsiders and discourage trespassing

These strategies may include installing locks, requiring visitor registration, providing staff and student identification tags, and patrolling places used for congregating and loitering.

(cf. [1250](#) - Visitors/Outsiders)

(cf. [3515.2](#) - Disruptions)

(cf. [5112.5](#) - Open/Closed Campus)

3. Secure the district's network infrastructure and web applications from cyberattacks

These strategies may include performing an independent security assessment of the district's network infrastructure and selected web applications.

4. Discourage vandalism and graffiti

These strategies may include plans to immediately cover graffiti and implement campus beautification.

(cf. [3515.4](#) - Recovery for Property Loss or Damage)

(cf. [5131.5](#) - Vandalism and Graffiti)

(cf. [5137](#) - Positive School Climate)

(cf. [6142.4](#) - Service Learning/Community Service Classes)

5. Control access to keys and other school inventory

(cf. [3440](#) - Inventories)

6. Detect and intervene with school crime

These strategies may include creating a school watch program, increasing adult presence and supervision, establishing an anonymous crime reporting system, monitoring suspicious and/or threatening digital media content, analyzing school crime incidents, and collaborating with local law enforcement agencies, including providing for law enforcement presence.

CAMPUS SECURITY (continued)

7. Additionally, all staff shall be made aware of their responsibilities regarding the immediate reporting of potential homicidal acts to law enforcement, and receive training in the assessment and reporting of such threats.

All staff shall receive training in building and grounds security procedures and emergency response.

(cf. [4131](#) - Staff Development)

(cf. [4231](#) - Staff Development)

(cf. [4331](#) - Staff Development)

Locks

All state-funded new construction and modernization projects shall include locks that allow doors to classrooms and any room with an occupancy of five or more persons to be locked from the inside. Additionally, when the district undertakes an addition, alteration, reconstruction, rehabilitation, or retrofit of a school building, the district shall install interior locks on each door of any room with an occupancy of five or more persons. Such doors shall be capable of being unlocked from the outside with a key or other approved means. Student restrooms and doors that lock from the outside at all times are not required to have locks that can be locked from the inside. (Education Code [17075.50](#), 17583, 17586; 24 CCR 1010.2, 1010.2.8., 1010.2.8.2)

Keys

The principal or designee shall be responsible for all keys used in a school. Keys shall be issued only to authorized employees who regularly need a key in order to carry out job responsibilities.

The principal or designee shall create a key control system with a record of each key assigned and room(s) or building(s) which the key opens.

Keys shall never be loaned to students, parents/guardians, or volunteers, nor shall the master key ever be loaned.

Any person issued a key shall be responsible for its safekeeping. The duplication of school keys is prohibited. If a key is lost, the person responsible shall immediately report the loss to the principal or designee and shall pay for a replacement key.

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BIGGS UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

Biggs, California

PLAYGROUND DEVELOPMENT PROCESS

Prior to installing and/or constructing new playground-type equipment on school property:

1. The principal, working with staff and/or parent/guardian advisory groups, shall develop an equipment installation proposal with drawings and specification details.
2. The district Maintenance Supervisor shall meet with the school principal to provide recommendations and input based on his/her experience in working with the loss prevention representatives of the district insurance carrier.
3. Recommended plans shall be forwarded to the Superintendent or designee for administrative review.
4. The plans shall be referred to the district insurance loss prevention department for evaluation and approval.

After approval is secured from the insurance company, the Superintendent or designee shall authorize installation.

Legal Reference:

EDUCATION CODE

35035 Superintendents

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BIGGS UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
Biggs, California

DISRUPTIONS

The Board of Trustees is committed to providing a safe and orderly environment for students, staff, and others on district property or while engaged in school activities.

The Superintendent or designee shall remove any individual who, by his/her presence or action, disrupts or threatens to disrupt normal operations at a school campus or any other district facility, threatens the health or safety of anyone on district property, or causes or threatens to cause damage to district property or to any property on school grounds.

(cf. [1250](#) - Visitors/Outsiders)

(cf. [3515](#) - Campus Security)

(cf. [4118](#) - Dismissal/Suspension/Disciplinary Action)

(cf. [4158/4258/4358](#) - Employee Security)

(cf. [4218](#) - Dismissal/Suspension/Disciplinary Action)

(cf. [5131.4](#) - Student Disturbances)

The Superintendent or designee shall establish a plan describing staff responsibilities and actions to be taken when an individual is causing or threatening to cause a disruption. The plan shall address, as appropriate, visitor registration procedures; campus security measures; evacuation procedures; lock-down procedures; possible responses to an active shooter situation; communications within the school and with parents/guardians, law enforcement, and the media in the event of an emergency; and crisis counseling or other assistance for students and staff after a disruption. In developing such a plan, the Superintendent or designee shall consult with law enforcement to create guidelines for law enforcement support and intervention when necessary.

(cf. [0450](#) - Comprehensive Safety Plan)

(cf. [3515.3](#) - District Police/Security Department)

(cf. [3515.7](#) - Firearms on School Grounds)

(cf. [3516](#) - Emergencies and Disaster Preparedness Plan)

The Superintendent or designee shall provide training to school staff on how to identify and respond to actions or situations that may constitute a disruption.

(cf. [4131](#) - Staff Development)

(cf. [4231](#) - Staff Development)

(cf. [4331](#) - Staff Development)

Any employee who believes that a disruption may occur shall immediately contact the principal. The principal or designee shall notify law enforcement in accordance with Education Code [48902](#) and [20 USC 7151](#) and in other situations, as appropriate.

Legal Reference: See next page

DISRUPTIONS (continued)*Legal Reference:*EDUCATION CODE

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 32211 Threatened disruption or interference with classes; misdemeanor
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 44810 Willful interference with classroom conduct
 44811 Disruption of classwork or extracurricular activities
 48902 Notification of law enforcement authorities
 51512 Prohibited use of electronic listening or recording device

PENAL CODE

243.5 Assault or battery on school property
 415.5 Disturbance of peace of school
 626-626.11 Schools, crimes, especially:
 626.7 Failure to leave campus or facility; wrongful return; penalties; notice; exceptions
 626.8 Disruptive presence at schools
 626.81 Misdemeanor for registered sex offender to come onto school grounds
 626.85 Misdemeanor for specified drug offender presence on school grounds
 626.9 Gun Free School Zone Act
 627-627.10 Access to school premises
 653b Loitering about schools or public places
 12556 Imitation firearms
 30310 Prohibition against ammunition on school grounds

UNITED STATES CODE, TITLE 20

7151 Gun-Free Schools Act

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BIGGS UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

Biggs, California

Administrative Regulation

Business and Noninstructional Operations

AR 3515.2(a)

The principal or designee may direct any person, except a student, school employee, or other person required by his/her employment to be on school grounds, to leave school grounds or school activity if:

1. The principal or designee has reasonable basis for concluding that the person is committing or has entered the campus with the purpose of committing an act which is likely to interfere with the peaceful conduct, discipline, good order, or administration of the school or a school activity, or with the intent of inflicting damage to any person or property. (Education Code [44810](#), [44811](#); Penal Code [626.7](#))
2. The person fights or challenges another person to a fight, willfully disturbs another person by loud and unreasonable noise, or uses offensive language which could provoke a violent reaction. (Penal Code [415.5](#))
3. The person, without lawful business for being present, loiters around a school or reenters a school within 72 hours after he/she was asked to leave. (Penal Code [653b](#))
4. The person is required to register as a sex offender pursuant to Penal Code [290](#) and does not have a lawful purpose and written permission from the principal or designee to be on school grounds. (Penal Code [626.81](#))

(cf. [1250](#) - Visitors/Outsiders)

(cf. [3515.5](#) - Sex Offender Notification)

5. The person is a specified drug offender, as defined in Penal Code [626.85](#), and does not have written permission from the principal or designee to be on school grounds. However, such specified drug offender may be on school grounds during any school activity if he/she is a student or the parent/guardian of a student attending the school. (Penal Code [626.85](#))
6. The person willfully or knowingly creates a disruption with the intent to threaten the immediate physical safety of students, staff, or others while attending, arriving at, or leaving school. (Penal Code [626.8](#))
7. The person has otherwise established a continued pattern of unauthorized entry on school grounds. (Penal Code [626.8](#))

(cf. [1240](#) - Volunteer Assistance)

(cf. [3515.3](#) - District Police/Security Department)

(cf. [4158/4258/4358](#) - Employee Security)

(cf. [6145.2](#) - Athletic Competition)

The principal or designee shall allow a parent/guardian who was previously directed to leave school grounds to reenter for the purpose of retrieving his/her child for disciplinary reasons,

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medical attention, or family emergencies, or with the principal or designee's prior written permission. (Penal Code [626.7](#), [626.85](#))

When directing any person to leave school premises, the principal or designee shall inform the person that he/she may be guilty of a crime if he/she: (Education Code [32211](#); Penal Code [626.7](#), [626.8](#), 636.85)

1. Fails to leave or remains after being directed to leave
2. Returns to the campus without following the school's posted registration requirements
3. Returns within seven days after being directed to leave

(cf. [0450](#) - *Comprehensive Safety Plan*)

Whenever an individual is causing or threatening to cause a disruption at any district facility other than a school campus, the Superintendent or designee may direct that individual to leave the facility consistent with this regulation and the accompanying Board policy.

Appeal Procedure

Any person who is asked to leave a school building or grounds may appeal to the Superintendent or designee. This appeal shall be made no later than the second school day after the person has departed from the school building or grounds. After reviewing the matter with the principal or designee and the person making the appeal, the Superintendent or designee shall render his/her decision within 24 hours after the appeal is made, and this decision shall be binding. (Education Code [32211](#))

The decision of the Superintendent or designee may be appealed to the Governing Board. Such an appeal shall be made no later than the second school day after the Superintendent or designee has rendered his/her decision. The Board shall consider and decide the appeal at its next scheduled regular or adjourned regular public meeting. The Board's decision shall be final. (Education Code [32211](#))

In any circumstance where a person has been directed to leave a school building or ground where the Superintendent's or Board's office is situated, he/she may nevertheless enter the school building or ground solely for the purpose of making the appeal. (Education Code [32211](#))

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BIGGS UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

Biggs, California

UNMANNED AIRCRAFT SYSTEMS (DRONES)

The Board of Trustees recognizes that unmanned aircraft or aerial systems (drones) may be a useful tool to enhance the instructional program and assist with district operations. In order to avoid disruption and maintain the safety, security, and privacy of students, staff, and visitors, any person or entity desiring to use a drone on or over district property shall submit a written request for permission to the Superintendent or designee.

(cf. 1330 - Use of School Facilities)

(cf. 1330.1 - Joint Use Agreements)

(cf. 5142 - Safety)

A small unmanned aircraft system or drone is an aircraft weighing less than 55 pounds that is operated remotely without the possibility of direct human intervention from within or on the aircraft and the associated elements, including communication links and controls, required for the pilot to operate the aircraft safely and efficiently. It does not include model aircraft or rockets such as those which are radio controlled and used only for hobby or recreational purposes. (49 USC 40101 Note; 14 CFR 107.3)

The Superintendent or designee may grant permission to district employees and students for the use of drones only if the planned activity supports instructional, co-curricular, extracurricular, athletic, or operational purposes. Such uses may include, but are not limited to, instruction in science, technology, engineering, and math (STEM), the arts, or other subjects; maintenance of grounds and facilities; and campus security. When used for instructional purposes, there shall be a clear and articulable connection between drone technology and the course curriculum. Students shall only operate a drone on or over district property under the supervision of a district employee as part of an authorized activity.

The Superintendent or designee may grant permission to other persons or entities under terms and conditions to be specified in a memorandum of understanding.

Any person or entity requesting to operate a drone on or over district property, including a district employee, shall provide a description of the type of operation requested, flight location, date and time of the planned flight, anticipated duration, and whether photos and/or video will be taken. As applicable, the applicant shall also present a copy of his/her Certificate of Waiver or Authorization or exemption issued by the Federal Aviation Administration.

Any person or entity, other than a district employee or student, who is requesting or operating a drone on or over district property shall agree to hold the district harmless from any claims of harm to individuals or property resulting from the operation of the drone and provide proof of adequate liability insurance covering such use.

(cf. 3530 - Risk Management/Insurance)

UNMANNED AIRCRAFT SYSTEMS (DRONES) - (continued)

In determining whether to grant permission for the requested use of a drone, the Superintendent or designee shall consider the intended purpose of the activity and its potential impact on safety, security, and privacy. The decision of the Superintendent or designee shall be final.

Any person authorized to use a drone on district property shall sign an acknowledgment that he/she understands and will comply with the terms and conditions of the district's policy, federal law and regulations, state law, and any local ordinances related to the use of drones.

When any use of drones is authorized, the Superintendent or designee shall notify the drone operator of the following conditions:

1. The operator is responsible for complying with applicable federal, state, and/or local laws and regulations, including federal safety regulations pursuant to 14 CFR 107.15-107.51 which include, but are not limited to, requirements that the drone not be flown at night, above 400 feet in altitude, or over any people unless they are in a covered structure or stationary vehicle. The operator shall maintain the visual line of sight with the drone at all times.
2. The drone shall be kept away from any area reasonably considered private, including, but not limited to, restrooms, locker rooms, and individual homes.
3. The district reserves the right to rescind the authorization for use of drones at any time.

The Superintendent or designee may remove any person engaged in unauthorized drone use on district property and/or may confiscate the drone. He/she may also shut down the operation of any authorized drone use whenever the operator fails to comply with the terms of the authorization or the use interferes with district activity, creates electronic interference, or poses unacceptable risks to individuals or property.

(cf. 3515.2 - Disruptions)

Any student or staff member violating this policy shall be subject to disciplinary action in accordance with district policies and procedures.

(cf. 4118 - Dismissal/Suspension/Disciplinary Action)

(cf. 4218 - Dismissal/Suspension/Disciplinary Action)

(cf. 5144 - Discipline)

(cf. 5144.1 - Suspension and Expulsion/Due Process))

UNMANNED AIRCRAFT SYSTEMS (DRONES) - (continued)

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107.15-107.51 Operating rules; safety

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BIGGS UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
Biggs, California

SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICERS

The Board of Trustees is committed to protecting the safety of students and staff and the security of district property. The district shall develop a multi-tiered approach focused on the prevention of school violence and crime and the development of a positive school culture, which may include providing mental health services and other student support services, implementing restorative justice practices, implementing professional development addressing cultural competency, and employing and/or contracting with a law enforcement agency to provide school resource officers (SROs) on school campuses and/or school activities.

In order to reduce unnecessary law enforcement interactions with students, the Superintendent or designee shall provide training to school staff regarding the role of SROs and the appropriate circumstances for contacting such officers.

The Board shall approve a memorandum of understanding (MOU) with the local law enforcement agency which includes, at a minimum:

1. The purpose of the agreement
2. A clear definition of the roles and responsibilities of the district, school site, law enforcement agency, and SROs, including responsibility for supervision of the SRO
3. The extent to which information will be shared between the district and law enforcement agency consistent with state and federal laws
4. Requirements for qualifications and training of SROs
5. Assigned hours of SRO duty in and around schools
6. Performance monitoring

The Board may expand on the above requirements to include more specific terms, such as acknowledgement of nondiscrimination requirements, training focused on eliminating disproportionalities in SRO contacts with students, and staffing of an SRO position when the assigned SRO is on leave.

Duties

SROs are duly sworn peace officers who are authorized to carry out their duties pursuant to state law.

Job duties of the SRO shall not include the handling of student code of conduct violations or routine student disciplinary matters that should be addressed by school administrators, or

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conduct that would be better addressed by mental health professionals.

SROs shall be expected to collaborate with district staff in problem solving and, when circumstances warrant intervention with students, to use positive and restorative approaches in accordance with Penal Code 13651. SROs shall use tactics such as de-escalation techniques to mitigate the use of force in an educational setting and shall strictly adhere to the policy on minimum use of force pursuant to Government Code 7286.

When approved by the Superintendent or designee, an SRO may provide classroom presentations and/or parent/guardian education pertaining to safety issues and may link students, parents/guardians, and staff with resources and services.

Qualifications of Officers

Prior to beginning their assignment when possible, SROs shall complete specialized training in school policing, the unique experiences of the diverse populations within the school community, and the law enforcement agency's use of force policy.

Nondiscrimination

SROs shall not discriminate against or treat any person differently on the basis race, color, ancestry, nationality, national origin, immigration status, ethnic group identification, ethnicity, age, religion, marital status, pregnancy, parental status, physical or mental disability, sex, sexual orientation, gender, gender identity, gender expression, or genetic information; a perception of one or more of such characteristics; or association with a person or group with one or more of these actual or perceived characteristics.

The Superintendent or designee shall periodically report to the Board disaggregated data on student interactions with SROs to evaluate the appropriateness of such interactions and ensure compliance with the prohibition against nondiscrimination. Such reports may include the number of arrests and referrals for prosecution, the number of reports provided to the school or district regarding student misconduct, or other actions taken by SROs with respect to individual students or others on campus.

As necessary, the Superintendent or designee shall develop and implement practices to prevent disproportionality of student interactions with SROs based on student characteristics and to minimize the potential for referrals of students into the juvenile justice system.

Access to Records

SROs shall not have access to student records, nor release student information to another person, agency, or organization, without written permission from the parent/guardian or adult

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student, unless specifically allowed or required by state or federal law. (Education Code 49076; 34 CFR 99.1)

SROs shall not solicit or collect information or documents regarding the citizenship or immigration status of students or their family members or provide assistance with immigration enforcement at district schools, except as may be required by state and/or federal law. (Education Code 234.7)

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BIGGS UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
Biggs, California

RECOVERY FOR PROPERTY LOSS OR DAMAGE

The Board of Trustees desires to create a safe and secure learning environment and to minimize acts of vandalism and damage to school property. When district property is damaged due to the willful misconduct of a student or other person, the Superintendent or designee shall seek reimbursement of damages, within the limitations specified in law, from the parent/guardian of a minor child or from any other responsible individual.

(cf. 0450 - Comprehensive Safety Plan)

(cf. 3515 - Campus Security)

(cf. 4156.3/4256.3/4356.3 - Employee Property Reimbursement)

(cf. 4158/4258/4358 - Employee Security)

(cf. 5131 - Conduct)

(cf. 5131.5 - Vandalism and Graffiti)

(cf. 5136 - Gangs)

(cf. 5144.1 - Suspension and Expulsion/Due Process)

The district may collect debt owed by a student or former student as a result of vandalism or to cover the replacement cost of district books, supplies, or property loaned to a student that the student fails to return or that is willfully cut, defaced, or otherwise injured. However, the Superintendent or designee shall not collect debt for such damage caused by a current or former student experiencing homelessness or foster child or youth. (Education Code 48904, 49014)

(cf. 5125.2 - Withholding Grades, Diploma or Transcripts)

(cf. 6173 - Education for Homeless Children)

(cf. 6173.1 - Education for Foster Youth)

Rewards

The Board may offer and pay a reward for information leading to the determination of the identity of, and the apprehension of, any person who willfully damages or destroys any district property. (Government Code 53069.5)

The Board authorizes the Superintendent or designee to offer a reward in any amount deemed appropriate, not exceeding \$2,500. A reward in excess of \$2,500 shall be authorized in advance by the Board.

The Superintendent or designee shall disburse the reward when the guilt of the person responsible for the act has been established by a criminal conviction or other appropriate judicial procedure. If more than one person provides information, the reward shall be divided among them as appropriate.

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484 Theft defined

594 Vandalism

594.1 Aerosol paint and etching cream

640.5 Graffiti; facilities or vehicles of governmental entity

640.6 Graffiti

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BIGGS UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

Biggs, California

RECOVERY FOR PROPERTY LOSS OR DAMAGE

In order to initiate the process for recovery for property loss or damage, district employees shall report any damage to or loss of school property to the Superintendent or designee immediately after such damage or loss is discovered.

(cf. 3530 - Risk Management/Insurance)
(cf. 5131.5 - Vandalism and Graffiti)

Upon learning of any instance of loss or damage to school property, the Superintendent or designee shall conduct a complete investigation, which includes consulting with law enforcement officials when appropriate.

(cf. 3515.3 - District Police/Security Department)

After the investigation is concluded, the individual causing the damage or loss has been identified, and the costs of repair, replacement, or cleanup determined, the Superintendent or designee shall take all practical and reasonable steps, including consultation with the district's legal counsel and/or insurance carrier, as needed, to recover the district's loss.

Such steps may include the filing of a civil complaint in a court of competent jurisdiction to recover damages from the responsible person and, if the responsible person is a minor, from the parent/guardian in accordance with law. Damages may include the cost of repair or replacement of the property, the payment of any reward, interest, court costs, and all other damages as provided by law.

If the responsible person is a minor student of the district and the student's parents/guardians are unable to pay for the damages or to return the property, the district shall offer a program of voluntary work for the student in lieu of the payment of monetary damages. The district may offer any other student or former student, with parent/guardian permission, the option to provide service, work, or other alternative, nonmonetary forms of compensation to settle the debt owed as a result of property loss or damage. Service or work exchanged for repayment of a debt shall comply with all provisions of the Labor Code related to youth employment. (Education Code 48904, 49014)

The Superintendent or designee may withhold the student's grades, diploma, and/or transcripts until the student's parents/guardians have paid for the damages or the voluntary work has been completed. Prior to withholding a student's grades, diploma, or transcripts, the student's parent/guardian shall be notified of the alleged misconduct and due process shall be afforded the student in accordance with law. (Education Code 48904)

(cf. 5125.2 - Withholding Grades, Diploma or Transcripts)

Business and Noninstructional Operations

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RECOVERY FOR PROPERTY LOSS OR DAMAGE *continued*

Additionally, the Superintendent or designee shall initiate appropriate disciplinary procedures against the student.

(cf. 5131 - Conduct)

(cf. 5144 - Discipline)

(cf. 5144.1 - Suspension and Expulsion/Due Process)

(cf. 5145.3 - Nondiscrimination/Harassment)

(cf. 5145.7 - Sexual Harassment)

(cf. 5145.9 - Hate-Motivated Behavior)

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BIGGS UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
Biggs, California

SEX OFFENDER NOTIFICATION

In order to protect students while they are traveling to and from school, or attending school or a school-related activity, the Governing Board believes it is important that the district respond appropriately when a law enforcement agency notifies the district about registered sex offenders who may reside or work within district boundaries.

The Superintendent or designee shall establish an ongoing relationship with law enforcement officials to coordinate the receipt and dissemination of such information. To the extent authorized by law, the Superintendent or designee also shall establish procedures for notifying appropriate staff as necessary.

Any district employee to whom sex offender information is disclosed by a law enforcement entity shall disclose the information only when authorized by the law enforcement entity and in the manner authorized.

The Superintendent or designee may annually notify parents/guardians of the availability of information about registered sex offenders on the Department of Justice's Megan's Law website.

Role of District Police/Security Department

In accordance with law, Board policy and administrative regulation, the district police/security department may disseminate information about registered sex offenders to the school community. The district police/security department shall consult with local law enforcement and the Superintendent or designee prior to any such dissemination.

When a registered sex offender's email address or username used for instant messaging or social networking or other internet identifier, as defined in Penal Code 290.024, is submitted to the district police/security department, such information shall only be used by the department or released to another law enforcement entity for the purpose of investigating a sex-related crime, a kidnapping, or human trafficking. No other disclosure shall be made or authorized by the department, except as required by a court order. (Penal Code 290.45)

The district police/security department shall maintain records of the means and dates of dissemination for five years. (Penal Code 290.45)

(cf. 0450 - Comprehensive Safety Plan)

(cf. 1240 - Volunteer Assistance)

(cf. 1250 - Visitors/Outsiders)

(cf. 1400 - Relations Between Other Governmental Agencies and the Schools)

(cf. 3515 - Campus Security)

(cf. 5142 - Safety)

Legal Reference: (see next page)

SEX OFFENDER NOTIFICATION (continued)

Legal Reference:

EDUCATION CODE

32211 Threatened disruption or interference with classes; offense

35160 Authority of boards

35160.1 Board authority of school districts

PENAL CODE

290 Registration of sex offenders

290.4 Sex offender registration; compilation of information

290.45 Release of sex offender information

290.46 Making information about certain sex offenders available via the Internet

290.9 Addresses of persons who violate duty to register

290.95 Disclosure by person required to register as sex offender

626.8 Disruptive entry or entry of sex offender upon school grounds

830.32 School district and community college police

3003 Parole, geographic placement

UNITED STATES CODE, TITLE 42

14071 Jacob Wetterling Crimes Against Children and Sexually Violent Offender
Registration Program Act

ATTORNEY GENERAL OPINIONS

82 Ops.Cal.Atty.Gen. 20 (1999)

Management Resources:

WEB SITES

California Department of Justice, Megan's Law mapping: <http://www.meganslaw.ca.gov>

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BIGGS UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
Biggs, California

SEX OFFENDER NOTIFICATION

The Superintendent or designee shall develop a plan for receiving and communicating information about registered sex offenders residing within district boundaries. The Superintendent or designee shall ensure, at a minimum, that the following components are part of the plan:

1. The Superintendent or designee shall appoint a staff member to serve as the liaison with law enforcement regarding sex offender information in relation to the safety of the children
2. The Superintendent or district liaison shall, at the beginning of each school year, contact local law enforcement to coordinate the receipt of information
3. Law enforcement shall be informed that all notifications and correspondence should be directed to the liaison as well as the individual school sites

A letter shall be sent annually to local law enforcement, identifying the name, phone number, and address of the liaison

4. The Superintendent or district liaison shall collaborate with law enforcement in order to alert children to the dangers of sex offenders, develop a system for distributing information about sex offenders, and train school staff and parents/guardians about the roles and responsibilities of both the district and law enforcement
5. The Superintendent or district liaison shall, at the beginning of each school year, notify parents/guardians of the district's willingness and intention to work with law enforcement on keeping children safe from sex offenders and shall explain the appropriate roles and responsibilities of both the district and law enforcement

This communication shall also explain:

- a. The reporting requirements pursuant to Penal Code [290](#) and [290.45](#), including the fact that law enforcement is the agency best able to assess the relative danger of a sex offender
- b. The ability of the parents/guardians to contact law enforcement for additional information and to view the information on the Department of Justice's (DOJ) Megan's Law website
6. When law enforcement notifies the district of the residency or employment of a sex offender within district boundaries, the Superintendent or district liaison shall consult with law enforcement about the appropriate scope of the disclosure
7. Any staff member who receives information directly from law enforcement regarding registered sex offenders shall immediately contact the Superintendent or liaison in order to help ensure that the district is able to respond appropriately
8. If an identified sex offender is seen on or near school grounds or around any child, staff shall immediately contact the district liaison, who shall inform local law enforcement accordingly

SEX OFFENDER NOTIFICATION (continued)**Notification to Parents/Guardians**

When law enforcement has determined that parents/guardians should be notified regarding the presence of a sex offender in the community, the Superintendent or district liaison shall collaborate with local law enforcement in order to determine an appropriate response. This response may include:

1. An article in a school or parent council newsletter notifying parents/guardians that law enforcement information about registered sex offenders is available at the local law enforcement agency headquarters and/or at the school office
2. A mailing, at law enforcement's expense, prepared by law enforcement, and printed on law enforcement letterhead and envelopes, notifying parents/guardians of the presence of registered sex offenders
3. A mailing of a letter, at district expense, prepared by law enforcement and printed on law enforcement letterhead and envelopes, notifying parents/guardians of the presence of registered sex offenders

The article and mailings listed above shall encourage parents/guardians to contact local law enforcement and access the DOJ's Megan's Law website for additional information.

Whenever the principal has granted permission to a person who is required to register as a sex offender pursuant to Penal Code 290 to come into a school building or upon school grounds to volunteer at the school, the principal or designee shall notify the parent/guardian of each student at that school, at least 14 days in advance, that a registered sex offender has been granted such permission, the date(s) and times for which permission has been granted, and the parent/guardian's right to obtain information regarding the person from a designated law enforcement agency. This notice shall be provided by regular mail or any other method normally used by the district to communicate with parents/guardians in writing. If a parent/guardian requests such notice in electronic format, the district shall provide electronic notice. (Education Code 48985, Penal Code 626.81)

CRIMINAL BACKGROUND CHECKS FOR CONTRACTORS

Except in an emergency or exceptional situation, such as when student health or safety is endangered or when repairs are needed to make school facilities safe and habitable, any entity contracting with the district for services that may require the entity's employees to interact with students, outside of the immediate supervision and control of parents/guardians or school staff, shall certify to the district that each of its employees who may interact with students has a valid criminal records summary as described in Education Code 44237 and that neither the entity nor any of those employees has been convicted of a violent or serious felony as defined in Education Code 45122.1. Such contracting entity shall also be required to immediately provide the district with any subsequent arrest and conviction information received pursuant to the subsequent arrest service. (Education Code 44237, 45125.1)

On a case-by-case basis, the Superintendent or designee may require any entity with which the district has a contract to comply with these same requirements. (Education Code 45125.1)

For an individual who is operating as the sole proprietor of an entity, the Superintendent or designee shall treat the individual as an employee of the entity and shall prepare and submit the individual's fingerprints to the Department of Justice (DOJ). (Education Code 45125.1)

Any contracting entity's employee who has been convicted of a violent or serious felony, as defined in Education Code 45122.1, shall not be permitted to interact with students unless a certificate of rehabilitation and pardon pursuant to Penal Code 4852.01-4852.22 has been submitted to the Superintendent or designee. (Education Code 45125.1)

The Superintendent or designee may determine that criminal background checks will not be required if the contract is for the construction, reconstruction, rehabilitation, or repair of a school facility and the contracting entity is providing services in an emergency or exceptional situation, or the district uses one or more of the following methods to ensure student safety: (Education Code 45125.2)

1. The installation of a physical barrier at the worksite to limit contact with students
2. Continual supervision and monitoring of all employees of the entity by an employee of the entity whom DOJ has ascertained has not been convicted of a violent or serious felony
3. Surveillance of employees of the entity by school personnel

The Superintendent or designee may take appropriate steps to protect the safety of any students who may come in contact with employees of contracting entities, including, but not

CRIMINAL BACKGROUND CHECKS FOR CONTRACTORS (continued)

limited to, ensuring that the employees of such entities perform work during nonschool hours, do not work alone when students are present, have limited access to school grounds, are provided with a visible means of identification, and/or that there are regular patrols or supervision of the site from district security or personnel.

State Description

<i>Ed. Code 41302.5</i>	<i>School districts, definition</i>
<i>Ed. Code 45122.1</i>	<i>Classified employees, conviction of a violent or serious felony</i>
<i>Ed. Code 45125.1</i>	<i>Fingerprinting; employees of contracting entity</i>
<i>Ed. Code 45125.2</i>	<i>Criminal background checks for construction</i>
<i>Pen. Code 1192.7</i>	<i>Plea bargaining limitation</i>
<i>Pen. Code 667.5</i>	<i>Prior prison terms, enhancement of prison terms</i>

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BIGGS UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

Biggs, California

FIREARMS ON SCHOOL GROUNDS

The Board of Trustees is committed to providing a safe environment for students, staff, and visitors on campus. The Superintendent or designee shall consult with local law enforcement and other appropriate individuals and agencies to address the security of school campuses.

(cf. 3515 - Campus Security)
(cf. 3515.2 - Disruptions)
(cf. 3515.3 - District Police/Security Department)
(cf. 4158/4258/4358 - Employee Security)
(cf. 5131.4 - Student Disturbances)
(cf. 5131.7 - Weapons and Dangerous Instruments)

Possession of a firearm on or within 1,000 feet of school grounds is prohibited, except under the limited circumstances specified in Penal Code 626.9. School grounds include, but are not limited to, school buildings, fields, storage areas, and parking lots. (Penal Code 626.9)

If a district employee observes or suspects that any unauthorized person is in possession of a firearm on or near school grounds or at a school activity, he/she shall immediately notify the principal or designee and law enforcement.

The prohibition against the possession of firearms on school grounds shall be included in the district's comprehensive safety plan and shall be communicated to district staff, parents/guardians, and the community.

(cf. 0450 - Comprehensive Safety Plan)
(cf. 1112 - Media Relations)
(cf. 1113 - District and School Web Sites)
(cf. 1114 - District-Sponsored Social Media)

*Legal Reference:*EDUCATION CODE

32281 Comprehensive safety plan
 38001.5 District security officers; requirements if carry firearm

PENAL CODE

626.9 Gun Free School Zone Act
 830.32 District police department; district decision to authorize carrying of firearm
 16150 Definition of ammunition
 16520 Definition of firearm
 26150-26225 Concealed weapons permit
 30310 Prohibition against ammunition on school grounds

UNITED STATES CODE, TITLE 18

921 Definitions, firearms and ammunition
 922 Firearms, unlawful acts
 923 Firearm licensing

UNITED STATES CODE, TITLE 20

7961 Gun-Free Schools Act; student expulsions for possession of firearm

Management Resources: See next page

FIREARMS ON SCHOOL GROUNDS

Management Resources:

WEB SITES

Office of the Attorney General: <http://oag.ca.gov/firearms>

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BIGGS UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

Biggs, California

EMERGENCIES AND DISASTER PREPAREDNESS PLAN

The Board of Trustees recognizes that all district staff and students must be prepared to respond quickly and responsibly to emergencies, disasters, and threats of disaster. The district shall take all reasonable steps to prevent and/or mitigate the impact of a disaster on district students, staff, and schools.

The Superintendent or designee shall develop and maintain a disaster preparedness plan which contains routine and emergency disaster procedures, including, but not limited to, earthquake emergency procedures, and adaptations for individuals with disabilities in accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, the federal Individuals with Disabilities Education Act, and Section 504 of the federal Rehabilitation Act of 1973. Such procedures shall be incorporated into the comprehensive school safety plan. (Education Code 32282)

(cf. 0400 - Comprehensive Plans)

(cf. 0450 - Comprehensive Safety Plan)

(cf. 3516.3 - Earthquake Emergency Procedure System)

In developing the disaster preparedness plan, the Superintendent or designee shall involve district staff at all levels, including administrators, district police or security officers, facilities managers, transportation managers, food services personnel, school psychologists, counselors, school nurses, teachers, classified employees, and public information officers. As appropriate, the Superintendent shall also collaborate with law enforcement, fire safety officials, emergency medical services, health and mental health professionals, parents/guardians, and students.

(cf. 0420 - School Plans/Site Councils)

(cf. 1220 - Citizen Advisory Committees)

(cf. 3513.3 - District Police/Security Department)

The plan shall comply with state-approved Standardized Emergency Management System (SEMS) guidelines established for multiple-jurisdiction or multiple-agency operations and with the National Incident Management System.

The Superintendent or designee shall provide training to employees regarding their responsibilities, including periodic drills and exercises to test and refine staff's responsiveness in the event of an emergency.

(cf. 4131 - Staff Development)

(cf. 4231 - Staff Development)

(cf. 4331 - Staff Development)

The Board shall grant the use of school buildings, grounds, and equipment to public agencies, including the American Red Cross, for mass care and welfare shelters during disasters or other emergencies affecting the public health and welfare. The Board shall cooperate with such agencies in furnishing and maintaining whatever services the district may deem necessary to meet the community's needs. (Education Code 32282)

EMERGENCIES AND DISASTER PREPAREDNESS PLAN - Continued

(cf. 1330 - Use of School Facilities)

District employees are considered disaster service workers and are subject to disaster service activities assigned to them. (Government Code 3100)

(cf. 4112.3/4212.3/4312.3 - Oath or Affirmation)

(cf. 4119.3/4219.3/4319.3 - Duties of Personnel)

Legal Reference:

EDUCATION CODE

32001 Fire alarms and drills

32040 Duty to equip school with first aid kit

32280-32289 School safety plans

32290 Safety devices

39834 Operating overloaded bus

46390-46392 Emergency average daily attendance in case of disaster

49505 Natural disaster; meals for homeless students; reimbursement

CIVIL CODE

1714.5 Release from liability for disaster service workers and shelters

GOVERNMENT CODE

3100-3109 Public employees as disaster service workers; oath or affirmation

8607 Standardized emergency management system

CALIFORNIA CONSTITUTION

Article 20, Section 3 Oath or affirmation

CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 5

550 Fire drills

560 Civil defense and disaster preparedness plans

CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 19

2400-2450 Standardized emergency management system

UNITED STATES CODE, TITLE 42

12101-12213 Americans with Disabilities Act

Management Resources:

CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION PUBLICATIONS

Crisis Response Box, 2000

CALIFORNIA GOVERNOR'S OFFICE OF EMERGENCY SERVICES PUBLICATIONS

Active Shooter Awareness Guidance, February 2018

State of California Emergency Plan, 2017

School Emergency Response: Using SEMS at Districts and Sites, June 1998

FEDERAL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY PUBLICATIONS

National Incident Management System, 3rd ed., October 2017

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION PUBLICATIONS

Guide for Developing High-Quality School Emergency Operations Plans, 2013

WEB SITES

CSBA: <http://www.csba.org>

American Red Cross: <http://www.redcross.org>

California Attorney General's Office: <http://oag.ca.gov>

California Department of Education, Crisis Preparedness: <http://www.cde.ca.gov/ls/ss/cp>

California Governor's Office of Emergency Services: <http://www.caloes.ca.gov>

California Seismic Safety Commission: <http://www.seismic.ca.gov>

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention: <http://www.cdc.gov>

EMERGENCIES AND DISASTER PREPAREDNESS PLAN - *Continued*

Management Resources: continued

Federal Emergency Management Agency: <http://www.fema.gov>

U.S. Department of Education, Emergency Planning: <http://www2.ed.gov/admins/lead/safety/crisisplanning.html>

U.S. Department of Homeland Security: <http://www.dhs.gov>

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EMERGENCIES AND DISASTER PREPAREDNESS PLAN

The Superintendent or designee shall ensure that district and/or school site plans address, at a minimum, the following types of emergencies and disasters:

1. Fire on or off school grounds which endangers students and staff

(cf. 3516.1 - Fire Drills and Fires)

2. Earthquake, flood, or other natural disasters

(cf. 3516.3 - Earthquake Emergency Procedure System)

3. Environmental hazards, such as leakages or spills of hazardous materials

(cf. 3514 - Environmental Safety)

(cf. 3514.2 - Integrated Pest Management)

4. Attack or disturbance, or threat of attack or disturbance, by an individual or group

(cf. 3515.2 - Disruptions)

(cf. 3515.7 - Firearms on School Grounds)

(cf. 5131.4 - Student Disturbances)

5. Bomb threat or actual detonation

(cf. 3516.2 - Bomb Threats)

6. Biological, radiological, chemical, and other activities, or heightened warning of such activities

7. Medical emergencies and quarantines, such as a pandemic influenza outbreak

8. Attack or threat of attack to the district's digital network and technology infrastructure

(cf. 5141.22 - Infectious Diseases)

The Superintendent or designee shall ensure that the district's procedures include strategies and actions for prevention/mitigation, preparedness, response, and recovery, including, but not limited to, the following:

1. Regular inspection of school facilities and equipment, identification of risks, and implementation of strategies and measures to increase the safety and security of school facilities

(cf. 3513.3 - District Police/Security Department)

(cf. 3515 - Campus Security)

(cf. 3517 - Facilities Inspection)

(cf. 3530 - Risk Management/Insurance)

EMERGENCIES AND DISASTER PREPAREDNESS PLAN - *Continued*

2. Routine monitoring of the security of the district's digital network and technology infrastructure
3. Instruction for district staff and students regarding emergency plans, including:
 - a. Training of staff in first aid and cardiopulmonary resuscitation
 - b. Regular practice of emergency procedures by students and staff

(cf. 4131 - Staff Development)

(cf. 4231 - Staff Development)

(cf. 4331 - Staff Development)

4. Specific determination of roles and responsibilities of staff during a disaster or other emergency, including determination of:
 - a. The appropriate chain of command at the district and, if communication between the district and site is not possible, at each site
 - b. Individuals responsible for specific duties
 - c. Designation of the principal for the overall control and supervision of activities at each school during an emergency, including authorization to use discretion in situations which do not permit execution of prearranged plans
 - d. Identification of at least one person at each site who holds a valid certificate in first aid and cardiopulmonary resuscitation
 - e. Assignment of responsibility for identification of injured persons and administration of first aid
5. Personal safety and security, including:
 - a. Identification of areas of responsibility for the supervision of students
 - b. Procedures for the evacuation of students and staff, including posting of evacuation routes
 - c. Procedures for the release of students, including a procedure to release students when reference to the emergency card is not feasible

(cf. 5141 - Health Care and Emergencies)

(cf. 5142 - Safety)

- d. Identification of transportation needs, including a plan which allows bus seating capacity limits to be exceeded when a disaster or hazard requires students to be moved immediately to ensure their safety

EMERGENCIES AND DISASTER PREPAREDNESS PLAN - *Continued**(cf. 3543 - Transportation Safety and Emergencies)*

- e. Provision of a first aid kit to each classroom
- f. Arrangements for students and staff with special needs

*(cf. 4032 - Reasonable Accommodation)**(cf. 6159 - Individualized Education Program)**(cf. 6164.6 - Identification and Education Under Section 504)*

- g. Upon notification that a pandemic situation exists, adjustment of attendance policies for students and sick leave policies for staff with known or suspected pandemic influenza or other infectious disease

*(cf. 4161.1/4361.1 - Personal Illness/Injury Leave)**(cf. 4261.1 - Personal Illness/Injury Leave)**(cf. 5113 - Absences and Excuses)**(cf. 6183 - Home and Hospital Instruction)*

6. Closure of schools, including an analysis of:

- a. The impact on student learning and methods to ensure continuity of instruction
- b. How to provide for continuity of operations for essential central office functions, such as payroll and ongoing communication with students and parents/guardians

(cf. 3516.5 - Emergency Schedules)

7. Communication among staff, parents/guardians, the Governing Board, other governmental agencies, and the media during an emergency, including:

- a. Identification of spokesperson(s)

(cf. 1112 - Media Relations)

- b. Development and testing of communication platforms, such as hotlines, automatic dialing devices, telephone trees, websites, social media, and electronic notifications

*(cf. 1113 - District and School Web Sites)**(cf. 1114 - District-Sponsored Social Media)*

- c. Development of methods to ensure that communications are, to the extent practicable, in a language and format that is easy for parents/guardians to understand

EMERGENCIES AND DISASTER PREPAREDNESS PLAN - *Continued*

- d. Distribution of information about district and school site emergency procedures to staff, students, and parents/guardians
- 8. Cooperation with other state and local agencies, including:
 - a. Development of guidelines for law enforcement involvement and intervention
 - b. Collaboration with the local health department, including development of a tracking system to alert the local health department of a substantial increase of student or staff absenteeism as indicative of a potential outbreak of an infectious disease

(cf. 1400 - Relations Between Other Governmental Agencies and the Schools)

- 9. Steps to be taken after the disaster or emergency, including:
 - a. Inspection of school facilities
 - b. Provision of mental health services for students and staff, as needed

(cf. 6164.2 - Guidance/Counseling Services)

The Superintendent or designee shall assemble critical information that would be needed in an emergency. Such information may include, but is not limited to, a list of individuals and organizations who should be contacted for assistance in an emergency, current layouts and blueprints of school buildings, aerial photos of the campus, maps of evacuation routes and alternate routes, a roster of employees with their work locations, student photographs and their emergency contact information, a clearly labeled set of keys, location of first aid supplies, procedures and locations for turning off fire alarms, sprinklers, utilities, and other systems, information to access the district's technology infrastructure, and insurance information. Such information shall be stored in a box in a secure, easily accessible location, with a duplicate kept at another location in case the primary location is inaccessible.

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BIGGS UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
 Biggs, California

FIRE DRILLS**Fire Drills**

The principal shall cause the fire alarm signal to be sounded at least once every month. (Education Code 32001)

The principal shall hold the first emergency evacuation drill of each school year within 10 days of the beginning of classes. (24 CCR 403.4.2)

Additionally, the principal shall hold fire drills at least once a month at the elementary level, four times every school year at the intermediate level, and not less than twice every school year at the secondary level. (Education Code 32001)

When the principal conducts a fire drill, all students, teachers, and other employees shall be directed to leave the building, which may include: (5 CCR 550)

1. Notifying staff as to the schedule for fire drills
2. Ascertaining that no student remains in the building

As appropriate, teachers shall be prepared to select alternate exits and direct their classes to these exits whenever the designated escape route is blocked.

The principal or designee shall keep a record of each fire drill conducted and file a copy of this record with the office of the Superintendent or designee.

Fires

The district shall identify refuge shelters for all students and staff to be used in the event of an evacuation order by local authorities and notify the fire department or other appropriate local authority of such refuge to prioritize the safety of students and staff. (Education Code 32282)

The identification of refuge shelters at schools in a high or very high fire hazard severity zone shall be coordinated with the fire department or other appropriate local authority. Additionally, each school in a high or very high fire hazard severity zone shall prepare a communication and evacuation plan to be used in the event of an early notice evacuation warning which allows enough time to evacuate all students and staff. (Education Code 32282)

When a fire is discovered in any part of the school, the following actions shall be taken:

1. The principal or designee shall sound fire signals, unless the school and /or building is equipped with an automatic fire detection and alarm system (Education Code 32001)
2. The principal or designee shall call 911
3. All persons shall be directed to leave the building and shall proceed outside to designated assembly areas

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4. Staff shall give students clear direction and supervision and help maintain a calm and orderly response
5. In outside assembly areas, teachers shall take roll, report missing students, and provide assistance to any injured students
6. In outside assembly areas, the principal, designee and/or each department head shall account for their staff, report missing staff, and provide assistance to any injured staff
7. If the fire is extensive, students shall be taken to an alternate location for protective custody until parent/guardians can pick them up or until they can be safely transported to their homes

BOMB THREATS

To maintain a safe and secure environment for district students and staff, the Superintendent or designee shall ensure that the district's emergency and disaster preparedness plan and/or each school's comprehensive safety plan includes procedures for managing bomb threats. Additionally, the Superintendent or designee shall regularly review current guidance regarding cybersecurity and digital media awareness and incorporate recommended practices into the district's processes and procedures related to the protection of the district's infrastructure, and the monitoring and response to suspicious and/or threatening digital media content.

Receiving Threats

Any staff member receiving a bomb threat by telephone shall try to keep the caller on the line for as long as possible in order to gather information about the location and timing of the bomb and the person(s) responsible. To the extent possible, the staff member should also take note of the caller's gender, age, any distinctive features of voice or speech, and any background noises such as music, traffic, machinery, or voices. The staff member should not hang up, even if the caller does, and copy the number and/or letters on the telephone's display, if available.

If the bomb threat is received through regular mail or in writing, the staff member who receives it should handle the letter, note, or package as minimally as possible. If the threat is received through electronic means, such as email, text messaging, or social media, the staff member should not delete the message.

Response Procedure

The following procedure shall be followed when a bomb threat is received:

1. Any employee or other school official who receives a bomb threat shall immediately call 911 and report the threat or perceived threat to law enforcement. The employee shall also report the threat to the Superintendent or designee.

If the threat is in writing, the employee shall rewrite the threat exactly as is on another sheet of paper, including the date, time and location the document was found, any conditions surrounding the discovery or delivery of the document, and the full names of any other employees who saw the threat. The employee shall secure the document and not alter it in any way. If the document is small and/or removable, the employee shall place it in a bag or envelope.

If the threat is electronic, the employee shall leave the message open, and print, photograph, or copy the message and subject line, and note the date and time of the message.

2. Any student or employee who sees a suspicious package should not touch, tamper with, or move the item, and shall immediately notify law enforcement and the Superintendent or designee.
3. The Superintendent or designee shall immediately contact law enforcement if not yet done, assess the situation, ensure the area is secured, and initiate standard evacuation procedures as specified in the emergency plan.
4. The Superintendent or designee shall turn off any two-way radio equipment which is located in a threatened building.

Law enforcement and/or fire department staff shall conduct the bomb search. No school staff, students, parents/guardians, or others on campus shall search for or handle any explosive or incendiary device.

No one shall reenter the threatened building(s) until the Superintendent or designee declares that reentry is safe based on law enforcement and/or fire department clearance.

To the extent possible, the Superintendent or designee shall maintain communications with staff, parents/guardians, the Governing Board, other governmental agencies, and the media during the period of the incident.

Following the incident, the Superintendent or designee shall provide crisis counseling for students and/or staff as needed.

Any employee or student found to have made a bomb threat shall be subject to disciplinary procedures and/or criminal prosecution

Staff Training

The Superintendent or designee shall provide training regarding the assessment and reporting of potential threats and procedures for managing bomb threats to district and site administrators, safety personnel, teachers, and other staff members as appropriate.

EARTHQUAKE EMERGENCY PROCEDURE SYSTEM

Earthquake Preparedness

Earthquake emergency procedures shall be established in every school building having an occupant capacity of 50 or more students, or more than one classroom, and shall be incorporated into the comprehensive safety plan. (Education Code 32282)

(cf. 0450 - Comprehensive Safety Plan)

Earthquake emergency procedures shall be aligned with the Standardized Emergency Management System and the National Incident Management System. (Government Code 8607; 19 CCR 2400-2450)

(cf. 3516 - Emergencies and Disaster Preparedness Plan)

The Superintendent or designee may work with the California Governor's Office of Emergency Services and the Seismic Safety Commission to develop and establish the earthquake emergency procedures. (Education Code 32282)

Earthquake emergency procedures shall outline the roles and responsibilities of students and staff during and after an earthquake.

Earthquake emergency procedures shall include, but not be limited to, all of the following: (Education Code 32282)

1. A school building disaster plan, ready for implementation at any time, for maintaining the safety and care of students and staff
2. A drop procedure whereby each student and staff member takes cover under a table or desk, dropping to his/her knees, with the head protected by the arms and the back to the windows

Drop procedures shall be practiced at least once each school quarter in elementary schools and at least once each semester in secondary schools.

3. Protective measures to be taken before, during, and following an earthquake
4. A program to ensure that students and staff are aware of and properly trained in the earthquake emergency procedure system

(cf. 4131 - Staff Development)

(cf. 4231 - Staff Development)

(cf. 4331 - Staff Development)

EARTHQUAKE EMERGENCY PROCEDURE SYSTEM (continued)

Staff and students shall be informed of the dangers to expect in an earthquake and procedures to be followed. Students shall be instructed to remain silent and follow directions given by staff in such an emergency. Staff and students also shall be taught safety precautions to take if they are in the open or on the way to or from school when an earthquake occurs.

Earthquake emergency procedures shall designate primary and alternative locations outside of buildings, which may include areas off campus if necessary, where individuals on a school site will assemble following evacuation. In designating such areas, the Superintendent or designee shall consider potential post-earthquake hazards outside school buildings including, but not limited to, power lines, trees, covered walkways, chain link fences that may be an electric shock hazard, and areas near buildings that may have debris.

Earthquake emergency procedures also shall outline primary and alternative evacuation routes that avoid areas with potential hazards to the extent possible. The needs of students with disabilities shall be considered when planning evacuation routes.

The Superintendent or designee shall identify potential earthquake hazards in classrooms and other district facilities, including, but not limited to, areas where the main gas supply or electric current enters the building, suspended ceilings, pendant light fixtures, large windows, stairwells, science laboratories, storage areas for hazardous materials, shop areas, and unsecured furniture and equipment. To the extent possible, dangers presented by such potential hazards shall be minimized by securing equipment and furnishings and removing heavy objects from high shelves.

Earthquake While Indoors at School

When an earthquake occurs, the following actions shall be taken inside buildings and classrooms:

1. Staff shall have students perform the drop procedure. Students should stay in the drop position until the emergency is over or until further instructions are given.
2. In laboratories, burners should be extinguished, if possible, before taking cover.
3. As soon as possible, staff shall move students away from windows, shelves, and heavy objects or furniture that may fall.
4. After the earthquake, the principal or designee shall determine whether planned evacuation routes and assembly locations are safe and shall communicate with teachers and other staff.
5. When directed by the principal or designee to evacuate, or if classrooms or other facilities present dangerous hazards that require immediate evacuation, staff shall account for all students under their supervision and shall evacuate the building in an

EARTHQUAKE EMERGENCY PROCEDURE SYSTEM (continued)

orderly manner.

Earthquake While Outdoors on School Grounds

When an earthquake occurs, the following actions shall be taken by staff or other persons in authority who are outdoors on school grounds:

1. Staff shall direct students to walk away from buildings, trees, overhead power lines, power poles, or exposed wires.
2. Staff shall have students perform the drop procedure.
3. Staff shall have students stay in the open until the earthquake is over or until further directions are given.

Earthquake While on the Bus

If students are on the school bus when an earthquake occurs, the bus driver shall take proper precautions to ensure student safety, which may include pulling over to the side of the road or driving to a location away from outside hazards, if possible. Following the earthquake, the driver shall contact the Superintendent or designee for instructions before proceeding on the route or, if such contact is not possible, drive to an evacuation or assembly location.

(cf. 3543 - Transportation Safety and Emergencies)

Subsequent Emergency Procedures

After an earthquake episode has subsided, the following actions shall be taken:

1. Staff shall extinguish small fires if safe.
2. Staff shall provide first aid to any injured students, take roll, and report missing students to the principal or designee.
3. Staff and students shall refrain from lighting any stoves or burners or operating any electrical switches until the area is declared safe.
4. All buildings shall be inspected for water and gas leaks, electrical breakages, and large cracks or earth slippage affecting buildings.
5. The principal or designee shall post staff at safe distances from all building entrances and instruct staff and students to remain outside the buildings until they are declared safe.

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6. The principal or designee shall request assistance as needed from the county or city civil defense office, fire and police departments, city and county building inspectors, and utility companies and shall confer with them regarding the advisability of closing the school.
7. The principal or designee shall contact the Superintendent or designee and request further instructions after assessing the earthquake damage.
8. The Superintendent or designee shall provide updates to parents/guardians of district students and members of the community about the incident, any safety issues, and follow-up directions.

(cf. 1112 - Media Relations)

Legal Reference:

EDUCATION CODE

32280-32289 School safety plans

GOVERNMENT CODE

3100 Public employees as disaster service workers

8607 Standardized Emergency Management System

CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 19

2400-2450 Standardized Emergency Management System

Management Resources:

CALIFORNIA GOVERNOR'S OFFICE OF EMERGENCY SERVICES PUBLICATIONS

The ABCs of Post-Earthquake Evacuation: A Checklist for School Administrators and Faculty Guide and Checklist for Nonstructural Earthquake Hazards in California Schools, January 2003

School Emergency Response: Using SEMS at Districts and Sites, June 1998

FEDERAL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY PUBLICATIONS

Guidebook for Developing a School Earthquake Safety Program, 1990

WEB SITES

American Red Cross: <http://www.redcross.org>

California Governor's Office of Emergency Services: <http://www.caloes.ca.gov>

California Seismic Safety Commission: <http://www.seismic.ca.gov>

Federal Emergency Management Agency: <http://www.fema.gov/hazards/earthquakes>

National Incident Management System: <http://www.fema.gov/emergency/nims>

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BIGGS UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

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EMERGENCY SCHEDULES

In order to provide for the safety of students and staff, the Governing Board authorizes the Superintendent or designee to close a school site, change the regular school day schedule, or take any necessary action when hazardous environmental or weather conditions or other emergencies warrant.

When an emergency condition causes a school closure, reduction in attendance, or change in schedule pursuant to Education Code 41422 or 46392, thereby preventing the district from complying with the minimum number of instructional days or minutes required by law, the Superintendent or designee shall complete and submit to the Superintendent of Public Instruction (SPI) the necessary forms and/or affidavits for obtaining approval of apportionment credit for the days of the closure, reduction in attendance, or change in schedule. The Superintendent or designee shall submit other relevant district records as may be required.

For school closures or material decreases in attendance due to emergency events that occur between September 2, 2021 and June 30, 2026, the Superintendent or designee shall certify in the affidavit submitted to the SPI that the district has a plan for offering independent study within 10 instructional days of the school closure to any student impacted by the emergency condition. The plan shall address the establishment, within a reasonable time, of independent study master agreements as specified in Board Policy 6158 – Independent Study, and require reopening in person as soon as possible once allowable under the direction from the city or county health officer. (Education Code 46393)

For school closures or material decreases in attendance due to emergency events occurring on or after July 1, 2026, the Superintendent or designee shall certify in the affidavit submitted to the SPI that the district's comprehensive safety plan includes an instructional continuity plan, and that the district offered student engagement and instruction consistent with the instructional continuity plan, or that it did not do so due to extenuating circumstances. (Education Code 46393)

The Superintendent or designee shall establish a system for informing students and parents/guardians with timely notice in advance of any changes to the school day, a school closure, or if school buses are not operating as scheduled. The district's notification system shall include, but is not limited to, notifying local television, streaming services, and/or radio stations; posting on district website(s) and/or social media account(s); sending email and text messages; and/or making telephone calls.

When the district makes any notification to students and/or parents/guardians, utilizing an automatic dialing-announcing device, the device shall be operated by a person who shall

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follow all procedures required by law prior to operating the device, and disconnect the device from the telephone line upon the termination of the call. (Public Utilities Code 2874)

Whenever the school day schedule changes after students have arrived at school, the Superintendent or designee shall ensure that students are supervised in accordance with the procedures specified in Board Policy/Administrative Regulation 3516 – Emergencies and Disaster Preparedness Plan.

The Superintendent or designee may provide a means to make up lost instructional time later during the year.

State References:

Ed. Code 41420 Apportionment withholding, schools not maintained for 175 days

Ed. Code 41422 Schools not maintained for 175 days

Ed. Code 46010 Total days of attendance

Ed. Code 46100-46192 Attendance; maximum credit; minimum day

Ed. Code 46390 Calculation of ADA in emergency

Ed. Code 46391 Lost or destroyed ADA records

Ed. Code 46392 Emergency conditions; ADA estimate

Veh. Code 34501.6 School buses; reduced visibility

Management Resources:

CA DOE Correspondence

90-01 Average Daily Attendance Credit During Periods of Emergency, February 10, 2005

Website

California Department of Education

Policy
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revised: November 3, 2021
revised: March, 2025

BIGGS UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
Biggs, California

FACILITIES INSPECTION

The Superintendent or designee shall inspect school facilities to ensure that they are maintained in good repair. At a minimum, the Superintendent or designee shall assess those facility conditions specified on the facilities inspection tool developed by the Office of Public School Construction, including, but not limited to, the following: (Education Code 17002, 35292.5)

1. Gas Leaks: Gas systems and pipes appear and smell safe, functional, and free of leaks.
2. Mechanical Systems: Heating, ventilation, and air conditioning systems, as applicable, are functional and unobstructed; appear to supply an adequate amount of air to all classrooms, work spaces, and facilities; and maintain interior temperatures within normally acceptable ranges.
3. Windows and Doors: Windows and doors are intact, functional, and open, close, and lock as designed, unless there is a valid reason they should not function as designed.
4. Fences and Gates: Fences and gates are intact, functional, and free of holes and other conditions that could present a safety hazard to students, staff, or others. Locks and other security hardware function as designed.
5. Interior Surfaces: Walls, floors, ceilings are free of safety hazards from tears, holes, missing floor and ceiling tiles, torn carpet, water damage, or other cause. Ceiling tiles are intact. Surfaces display no evidence of mold or mildew.
6. Hazardous Materials: Hazardous and flammable materials are stored properly. No evidence of peeling, chipping, or cracking paint is apparent. No indicators of mold, mildew, or asbestos exposure are evident. There does not appear to be evidence of hazardous materials that may pose a threat to the health and safety of students or staff.
7. Structures: Posts, beams, supports for portable classrooms and ramps, and other structures appear intact, secure, and functional as designed. Ceilings and floors are not sloping or sagging beyond their intended design. There is no visible evidence of severe cracks, dry rot, mold, or damage that undermines structural components.
8. Fire Safety and Emergency Equipment: Fire sprinklers, fire extinguishers, emergency alarm systems, and all emergency equipment and systems appear to be functioning properly. Fire alarm pull stations are clearly visible. Fire extinguishers are current and placed in all required areas, including every classroom and assembly area. Emergency exits are clearly marked and unobstructed.
9. Electrical Systems: Electrical systems, components, and equipment, including switches, junction boxes, panels, wiring, outlets, and light fixtures, are securely

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- enclosed, properly covered and guarded from student access, and appear to be working properly.
10. Lighting: Interior and exterior lighting appears to be adequate and working properly. Lights do not flicker, dim, or malfunction, and there is no unusual hum or noise from light fixtures.
 11. Pest/Vermin Infestation: No visible or odorous indicators of pest or vermin infestation are evident.
 12. Drinking Fountains: Interior and exterior drinking fountains are functional, accessible, and free of leaks. Drinking water pressure is adequate. Fountain water is clear and without unusual taste or odor, and moss, mold, or excessive staining is not evident.
 13. Restrooms: Restrooms and restroom fixtures are fully operational, maintained and cleaned regularly, and stocked at all times with supplies, including toilet paper, soap, and paper towels or functional hand dryers in accordance with Education Code 35292.5. The school keeps all restrooms open during school hours when students are not in classes and keeps a sufficient number of restrooms open during school hours when students are in classes, except when necessary to temporarily close a restroom due to a documented student safety concern, an immediate threat to student safety or the need to repair the facility.

Additionally, any school serving students in any of grades 3-12 shall, at all times, stock and make available and accessible free of cost, an adequate supply of menstrual products in every women's and all-gender restroom, and in at least one men's restroom. The district shall post in a prominent and conspicuous location in every restroom required to stock menstrual products a notice regarding this requirement that includes an email address and telephone number for a designated individual responsible for maintaining the requisite supply of menstrual products. (Education Code 35292.6)

In addition, starting July 1, 2026, any school that has more than one female and more than one male restroom designated exclusively for student use shall provide and maintain at least one all-gender restroom for student use. The district shall use signage that identifies the bathroom facility as being open to all genders and is in accordance with 24 CCR 11B-703; ensure that it is available for use consistent with the requirements specified above and is unlocked, unobstructed, easily accessible by any student, and consistent with existing access to sex-segregated restrooms; stock the bathroom facility with menstrual products in accordance with Education Code 35292.6, as specified above; and, ensure that the bathroom facility is available during school hours and school functions when students are present. The district shall post in a prominent and conspicuous location outside at least one all-gender restroom a notice regarding these requirements that includes contact information for the staff member designated as the point of contact responsible for

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implementing such requirements.

14. Sewers: The sanitary sewer system controls odors as designed, displays no signs of stoppage, backup, or flooding in school facilities or on school grounds, and appears to be functioning properly.
15. Roofs: Roofs, gutters, roof drains, and downspouts appear to be functioning properly and are free of visible damage and evidence of disrepair when observed from the ground from inside and outside the building
16. Drainage: School grounds do not exhibit signs of drainage problems, such as visible evidence of flooded areas, eroded soil, water damage to asphalt playgrounds or parking areas, or clogged storm drain inlets.
17. Playground/School Grounds: Playground equipment, including exterior fixtures, seating, tables, and equipment, school grounds, fields, walkways, and parking lot surfaces are functional and free of significant cracks, trip hazards, holes, deterioration that affects functionality or safety, and other health and safety hazards.
18. Overall Cleanliness: School grounds, buildings, common areas, and individual rooms appear to have been cleaned regularly and are free of accumulated refuse and unabated graffiti. Restrooms, drinking fountains, and food preparation or serving areas appear to have been cleaned each day that school is in session.

Additionally, to ensure the health and safety of students, the Superintendent or designee shall provide for the testing of drinking water on campus and of the soil and painted surfaces of school facilities for the presence of lead and/or other harmful substances, in accordance with state and federal standards.

The Superintendent or designee shall ensure that any necessary repairs or removal of hazards identified during the inspection are made in a timely and expeditious manner.

An assessment of the safety, cleanliness, and adequacy of school facilities, including any needed maintenance to ensure good repair as defined in Education Code 17002, shall be reported on the school accountability report card. (Education Code 33126)

Any complaint alleging a school facility condition that poses an emergency or urgent threat to the health or safety of students or staff, or alleging that a school restroom is not clean, maintained, stocked, or kept open, shall be addressed in accordance with AR 1312.4 - Williams Uniform Complaint Procedures.

The Superintendent or designee shall provide the Governing Board with regular reports regarding the district's facility inspections and updates of any visits to district schools by the County Superintendent of Schools to review school facilities.

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State

2 CCR 1859.300-1859.330

Ed. Code 1240

Ed. Code 17002

Ed. Code 17070.10-17077.10

Ed. Code 17565-17591

Ed. Code 17592.72

Ed. Code 33126

Ed. Code 35186

Ed. Code 35292.5-35292.6

Federal

20 USC 6314

42 USC 300f-300j-27

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[California Department of Education, Williams Case](#)

[State Allocation Board, Office of Public School Construction](#)

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BIGGS UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

Biggs, California

FACILITIES INSPECTION

NOTICE REGARDING MENSTRUAL PRODUCTS

Education Code 35292.6 requires that:

- a. On or before the start of the 2024–25 school year, a public school, including a school operated by a school district, county office of education, or charter school, maintaining any combination of classes from grades 3 to 12, inclusive, shall stock the school’s restrooms at all times with an adequate supply of menstrual products, available and accessible, free of cost, in all women’s restrooms and all-gender restrooms, and in at least one men’s restroom.
- b. A public school described in subdivision (a) shall not charge for any menstrual products provided to pupils.
- c. A public school described in subdivision (a) shall post a notice regarding the requirements of this section in a prominent and conspicuous location in every restroom required to stock menstrual products, available and accessible, free of cost, pursuant to this section.

This notice shall include the text of this section and contact information, including an email address and telephone number, for a designated individual responsible for maintaining the requisite supply of menstrual products.

- d. For purposes of this section, “menstrual products” means menstrual pads and tampons for use in connection with the menstrual cycle.
- e. This section shall become operative on July 1, 2024.

The name and contact information for the individual responsible for maintaining the requisite supply of menstrual products is:

John Strattard, M/O/T Cafeteria Director
(530) 868-1281
jstrattard@biggs.org

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2 CCR 1859.300-1859.330

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ELECTRONIC SIGNATURES

The Board of Trustees believes that the use of electronic records and signatures is a convenient paperless option that can increase efficiency in commercial and administrative transactions, reduce costs, and contribute to environmental sustainability in district operations. The Board authorizes the use of electronic signatures in district operations when authorized by law.

The Superintendent or designee shall ensure that any electronic signature utilized by the district conforms with criteria described in law and that the level of security is sufficient for the transaction being conducted. (Government Code 16.5; 2 CCR 22003, 22005)

The Superintendent or designee shall retain electronic records in accordance with law and regulations, and as specified in BP/AR 3580 - District Records.

State

2 CCR 22000-22005

5 CCR 16020-16022

5 CCR 16023-16027

5 CCR 430

5 CCR 432

Civ. Code 1633.1-1633.17

Civ. Code 1798.29

Ed. Code 35252-35255

Ed. Code 44031

Ed. Code 49060-49079.7

Ed. Code 8234

Gov. Code 16.5

Gov. Code 6252-6265

Gov. Code 811.2

Federal

15 USC 7001-7006

20 USC 1232g

20 USC 1400-1482

34 CFR 300-300.818

34 CFR 99.1-99.8

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Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) of 1974

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ELECTRONIC SIGNATURES

When authorized by law, electronic signatures may be used in the operation of district business and/or administration.

In any business transaction, an electronic signature shall only be used when each party has agreed to conduct the transaction by electronic means. In other district operations, the Superintendent or designee may require the use of an electronic signature. (Civil Code 1633.5; 15 USC 7001)

A *digital signature* is defined as an electronic identifier, created by computer, intended by the party using it to have the same force and effect as the use of a manual signature. (Government Code 16.5)

An *electronic signature* consists of an electronic sound, symbol, or process attached to or logically associated with an electronic record and executed or adopted by a person with the intent to sign the electronic record. (Civil Code 1633.2)

In order for an electronic signature to be used, the electronic signature shall be: (Government Code 16.5; 2 CCR 22002)

1. Unique to the person using it
2. Capable of verification
3. Under the sole control of the person using it
4. Linked to data in such a manner that if the data are changed the electronic signature is invalidated
5. Conform to 2 CCR 22000-22005

Prior to accepting an electronic signature, the Superintendent or designee shall ensure the following: (2 CCR 22005)

1. That the signature is created by acceptable technology pursuant to 2 CCR 22003
2. That the level of security used to identify the signer of the document and to transmit the signature is sufficient for the transaction being conducted
3. That, if a certificate is a required component of the electronic signature, the certificate format used by the signer is sufficient for the security and interoperability needs of the district.

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If a notarized signature is required with respect to an electronic signature, the electronic signature of the notary public together with all of the other information required by law to be included in a notarization shall accompany the electronic signature. (Civil Code 1633.11)

If a statement is required to be signed under penalty of perjury, the electronic signature shall include all of the information to which the declaration pertains together with a declaration under penalty of perjury by the person who submits the electronic signature that the information is true and correct. (Civil Code 1633.11)

State

2 CCR 22000-22005

5 CCR 16020-16022

5 CCR 16023-16027

5 CCR 430

5 CCR 432

Civ. Code 1633.1-1633.17

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RISK MANAGEMENT/INSURANCE

The Board of Trustees desires to promote the safety of students, staff, and the public while protecting district resources. The Superintendent or designee shall establish a risk management program that uses effective safety and loss control practices.

The district shall strive to keep its liability at a minimum and its insurance premiums as low as possible while maintaining adequate protection against loss which may occur due to hazards facing the district.

To determine the most economical means of insuring the district consistent with required services, the Superintendent or designee shall annually review the district's options for obtaining coverage, including qualified insurance agents, a joint powers agency, self-insurance, or a combination of these means. Decisions regarding the means of insuring the district shall be based on a careful analysis of past claims records indicating the frequency and magnitude of losses and a prediction of future losses.

To minimize the district's exposure to liability, the Board shall adopt clear policies related to discrimination, harassment, safety procedures, and the timely handling of claims. The Superintendent or designee shall enforce these policies and related procedures fairly and consistently. The Superintendent or designee shall provide safety-related training and protective equipment to staff as appropriate for their position.

(cf. [0410](#) - Nondiscrimination in District Programs and Activities)

(cf. [0450](#) - Comprehensive Safety Plan)

(cf. [3320](#) - Claims and Actions Against the District)

(cf. [4030](#) - Nondiscrimination in Employment)

(cf. [4119.11/4219.11/4319.11](#) - Sexual Harassment)

(cf. [4157/4257/4357](#) - Employee Safety)

(cf. [4157.1/4257.1/4357.1](#) - Work-Related Injuries)

(cf. [5142](#) - Safety)

(cf. [5145.3](#) - Nondiscrimination/Harassment)

(cf. [5145.7](#) - Sexual Harassment)

(cf. [9260](#) - Legal Protection)

The Superintendent or designee shall periodically report to the Board on the district's risk management activities, including, but not limited to, the district's property and liability risks and exposures and the effectiveness of the district's risk management and loss control practices.

Legal Reference: next page

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17029.5 Contract funding; board liability

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35162 Power to sue, be sued, hold and convey property

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35208 Liability insurance

35211 Driver training civil liability insurance

35213 Reimbursement for loss, destruction, or damage of personal property

35214 Liability self-insurance

35331 Medical or hospital service for students on field trip

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44873 Qualifications for physician (liability coverage)

49470-49474 District medical services and insurance

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820.9 Board members not vicariously liable for injuries caused by district

831.7 Hazardous recreational activities

989-991.2 Local public entity insurance

LABOR CODE

3200-4855 Workers' compensation

Management Resources:

WEB SITES

California Association of Joint Powers Authorities: <http://www.cajpa.org>

California Association of School Business Officials: <http://www.casbo.org>

California Department of Industrial Relations, Division of Occupational Safety and Health: <http://www.dir.ca.gov/dosh>

Public Agency Risk Management Association: <http://www.parma.com>

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RISK MANAGEMENT/INSURANCE

Risk Management

The Superintendent or designee, in consultation with risk management, insurance, safety, or other professionals as appropriate, shall:

1. Identify the risks inherent in district operations and programs, including physical sites, educational and experiential programs, computer networks and systems, employment and staffing, and transportation services, using methods that may include, but are not limited to, physical inspections, surveys, staff interviews, compliance reviews, contract reviews, review of policies and procedures, and consultation with experts
2. Analyze, evaluate, and prioritize identified risks based on the frequency and likelihood of the risk and the potential impact to the district
3. Develop strategies to reduce or mitigate identified risks, such as new or modified policies, processes, or procedures; training or loss prevention programs; and/or additional or repairs to equipment, real property, computer networks, or other physical assets
4. Implement strategies to promote safety and prevent loss, taking into account the nature of the risks, the associated exposures, and the costs and benefits associated with the proposed response
5. Mitigate potential loss following an incident through activities such as effective claims management, litigation management, disaster recovery, or a modified duty program for workers' compensation

(cf. [0450](#) - *Comprehensive Safety Plan*)

(cf. [1330](#) - *Use of School Facilities*)

(cf. [4157/4257/4357](#) - *Employee Safety*)

(cf. [5142](#) - *Safety*)

The Superintendent or designee shall advise the Governing Board of any needed action requiring Board approval.

Following any incident resulting in potential or actual harm or injury to a person or damage to property, staff shall promptly document the date and time of the incident, a description of the incident, and any persons present.

Employees are expected to take reasonable precautions for the care and safety of the school equipment with which they have been entrusted. Employees may be held responsible for recurring damage or losses that occur due to their negligence or lack of supervision.

RISK MANAGEMENT/INSURANCE (continued)

Responsibilities related to safety and loss control shall be included in employee job descriptions.

Insurance

Insurance or risk pooled coverage shall include, but not be limited to:

1. Liability insurance (Education Code [35200-35214](#))
2. Insurance against fire or other property damage (Education Code [17565](#))
3. Workers' compensation insurance (Labor Code [3700](#))
4. Fidelity bond insurance for employees whose duty includes handling district funds, and other employees as needed (Education Code [41021](#))

(cf. [4154/4254/4354](#) - Health and Welfare Benefits)

(cf. [4157.1/4257.1/4357.1](#) - Work-Related Injuries)

(cf. [5143](#) - Insurance)

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TRANSPORTATION

The Board of Trustees desires to provide for the safe and efficient transportation of students to and from school as necessary to ensure student access to the educational program, including expanded learning opportunities programs, promote regular attendance, and reduce tardiness. In determining the extent to which the district will provide transportation services, the Board shall weigh student and community needs against the cost of providing such services.

(cf. [3100](#) - Budget)

(cf. [3541](#) - Transportation Routes and Services)

(cf. [3541.1](#) - Transportation for School-Related Trips)

(cf. [3541.2](#) - Transportation for Students with Disabilities)

(cf. [5116.1](#) - Intradistrict Open Enrollment)

(cf. [5117](#) - Interdistrict Attendance)

(cf. [6178.2](#) - Regional Occupational Center/Program)

The Superintendent or designee shall recommend to the Board economical, environmentally sustainable, and appropriate means of providing transportation services. The district's transportation services may be provided by means of a joint powers agreement, a cooperative student transportation program, or a consortium, as permitted by law.

No student shall be required to be transported for any reason without the written permission of the student's parent/guardian, except in emergency situations involving illness or injury to the student pursuant to Education Code [35350](#) or the evacuation of students as necessary for their safety.

(cf. [3510](#) - Green School Operations)

Transportation Plan

The Superintendent or designee shall develop a transportation plan in consultation with classified staff, teachers, school administrators, regional local transit authorities, local air pollution control districts and air quality management districts, parents/guardians, students, and other stakeholders. (Education Code 39800.1)

The transportation plan shall be presented to and adopted by the Board at an open meeting, with the opportunity for in-person and remote public comment, and shall be updated annually by April 1. (Education Code 39800.1)

The transportation plan shall include descriptions of the following: (Education Code 39800.1)

1. The transportation services offered to students
2. The prioritization of transportation services for low-income students, and students in transitional kindergarten, kindergarten, and any of grades 1 to 6 inclusive

TRANSPORTATION (continued)

3. The transportation services accessible to students with disabilities and homeless children and youth, as defined pursuant to the federal McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act (42 USC 11301)
4. The manner in which unduplicated students, as defined in Education Code 42238.02, will be able to access available home-to-school transportation at no cost

Transportation Contracts

The Board may purchase, rent, or lease vehicles; contract with a common carrier or municipally owned transit system; contract with responsible private parties including the parent/guardian of the student being transported; and/or contract with the County Superintendent of Schools to provide necessary transportation services. (Education Code 35330, 39800, 39801)

In contracting for transportation services, the district shall comply with all applicable laws related to bids and contracts. (Education Code 39802-39803)

Prior to contracting with a private entity for student transportation services, the district shall obtain written attestations from the entity that: (Education Code 39879)

1. The entity does not have any applicable law violations at the time of applying for the contract
2. The entity will maintain compliance with applicable laws for the duration of the contract
3. Under the contract, only drivers who meet the requirements specified in Education Code 39877 will work
4. The entity has on file all the reports and documents required pursuant to Education Code 39877 for the duration of the contract, including, but not limited to, updated, revised, or modified reports and documents, and that the reports and documents shall be available for inspection by the district

Any vehicle used to provide student transportation for compensation shall meet both of the following requirements: (Education Code 39879)

1. Be inspected every 12 months, or every 50,000 miles, whichever comes first, at a facility licensed by the Bureau of Automotive Repair to ensure that the vehicle passes a 19-point vehicle inspection, as adopted by the Public Utilities Commission and as specified in D.13-09-045, before allowing the vehicle to be driven, except for vehicles which are already subject to a statutory inspection program.
2. Be equipped with a first aid kit and a fire extinguisher

TRANSPORTATION (continued)**Expenses and Fees**

In lieu of providing transportation in whole or in part, the district may pay the student's parents/guardians either their actual and necessary expenses in transporting the student or the cost of the student's food and lodging at a place convenient to the school. In either case, the amount of the payment shall not exceed the cost that would be incurred by the district to provide for the transportation of the student to and from school. (Education Code 39806-39807)

The Board may charge a transportation fee to parents/guardians of transported students in accordance with Education Code 39807.5 and BP/AR 3250 - Transportation Fees.

Safety and Monitoring

The Superintendent or designee shall develop procedures to promote safety for students traveling on school busses.

The district may install a global positioning system (GPS) on school buses and/or student activity buses in order to enhance student safety and provide real-time location data to district and school administrators and parents/guardians.

The Superintendent or designee shall ensure the qualifications of bus drivers, in accordance with AR 3542 – School Bus Drivers, and related staff employed by the district, provide for the maintenance and operation of district-owned school buses and other equipment, and ensure adequate facilities for equipment storage and maintenance.

(cf. [3542](#) - School Bus Drivers)

*Legal Reference:*EDUCATION CODE

[35330](#) *Excursions and field trips*

[35350](#) *Authority to transport pupils*

[39800-39860](#) *Transportation, especially:*

[39800](#) *Powers of governing board to provide transportation for pupils to and from school; definition of "municipally owned transit system"*

[39801](#) *Contract with County Superintendent of Schools to provide transportation*

[39802-39803](#) *Bids and contracts for transportation services*

[39806](#) *Payments to parents in lieu of transportation*

[39807](#) *Food and lodging payments in lieu of transportation*

[39807.5](#) *Transportation fees*

[39808](#) *District transportation of private school students*

[41850-41854](#) *Allowances for transportation*

[41860-41862](#) *Supplemental allowances for transportation*

[45125.1](#) *Criminal background checks for contractors*

[52311](#) *Regional occupational centers, transportation*

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[3540-3549.3](#) *Educational Employment Relations Act*

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637.7 Electronic tracking devices

VEHICLE CODE

2807 School bus inspection

CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 5

14100-14103 Use of school buses and school pupil activity buses

15240-15343 Allowances for student transportation, especially:

15253-15272 District records related to transportation

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BIGGS UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

Biggs, California

TRANSPORTATION

No student shall be required to be transported for any reason without the written permission of the student's parent/guardian, except in emergency situations involving illness or injury to the student. (Education Code 35350)

Means of Transportation

To provide transportation services, the Governing Board may purchase, rent or lease vehicles; contract with a common carrier or municipally owned transit system; contract with responsible private parties including the parent/guardian of the student being transported; and/or contract with the County Superintendent of Schools. (Education Code 35330, 39800, 39801)

In contracting for transportation services, the district shall comply with all applicable laws related to bids and contracts. (Education Code 39802- 39803)

(cf. 3311 - Bids)

(cf. 3312 - Contracts)

In lieu of providing transportation in whole or in part, the district may pay the student's parents/guardians either their actual and necessary expenses in transporting the student or the cost of the student's food and lodging at a place convenient to the school. In either case, the amount of the payment shall not exceed the cost that would be incurred by the district to provide for the transportation of the student to and from school. (Education Code 39806-39807)

TRANSPORTATION ROUTES AND SERVICES

The Superintendent or designee shall design transportation routes and stops within district boundaries that promote student safety, maximum efficiency in the use of buses, and decreased traffic in and around the schools.

(cf. 3510 - Green School Operations)

(cf. 3514 - Environmental Safety)

(cf. 3540 - Transportation)

Students shall be eligible for transportation service to and from school if the distance between their school-established bus stop and the school is beyond the minimum listed below:

1. For elementary school students:

Grades K-3: one mile

Grades 4-8: one mile

2. For students attending a three-year junior high school:

Grades 7-9: one mile

3. For students attending a four-year high school:

Grades 9-12: two miles

The Superintendent or designee may authorize transportation below these limits when safety problems or hazards exist.

(cf. 5142.2 - Safe Routes to School)

The Superintendent or designee shall communicate in writing to parents/guardians regarding bus routes, schedules, and stops. He/she may also arrange for local media to publish such information.

(cf. 1112 - Media Relations)

With the Governing Board's authorization, transportation services may be provided or arranged by the district for:

1. Students traveling to and from school during the regular school day (Education Code 39800)
2. Field trips and excursions (Education Code 35330)

TRANSPORTATION ROUTES AND SERVICES (continued)

(cf. 3541.1 - Transportation for School-Related Trips)

3. School activities, expositions or fairs, or other activities determined to be for the benefit of students (Education Code 39860)
4. District employees, parents/guardians, and adult volunteers traveling to and from educational activities authorized by the district (Education Code 39837.5)
5. Preschool or nursery school students (Education Code 39800)

(cf. 5148.3 - Preschool/Early Childhood Education)

6. Students traveling to full-time occupational classes provided by a regional occupational center or program (Education Code 39807.5, 41850)

(cf. 6178.2 - Regional Occupation Center/Program)

7. Students traveling to and from their places of employment during the summer in connection with a summer employment program for youth (Education Code 39837)
8. Matriculated or enrolled adults traveling to and from school, or adults for educational purposes other than to and from school (Education Code 39801.5)

(cf. 6200 - Adult Education)

9. Private school students, upon the same terms, in the same manner, and on the same routes provided for district students (Education Code 39808)
10. Nonschool purposes as allowed by law, such as:
 - a. Community recreation (Education Code 39835)
 - b. Public transportation (Education Code 39841)

Students who attend school outside of their school attendance area or district boundaries may be eligible for transportation services in accordance with district policy.

(cf. 5116.1- Intradistrict Open Enrollment)

(cf. 5117 - Interdistrict Attendance)

The district shall provide home-to-school transportation and additional transportation services as needed for students with disabilities as specified in their individualized education program or Section 504 plan. (Education Code 41850; 20 USC 1400-1482; 34 CFR 104.4, 300.17, 300.34)

TRANSPORTATION ROUTES AND SERVICES (continued)

(cf. 3541.2 - Transportation for Students with Disabilities)
(cf. 6159 - Individualized Education Program)
(cf. 6164.6 - Identification and Education Under Section 504)

The Superintendent or designee shall provide transportation to homeless students in accordance with law, Board policy, and administrative regulation. When the student resides outside of district boundaries, the Superintendent or designee shall consult with the superintendent of the district of residence to apportion the responsibility and costs of transportation. (42 USC 11432)

(cf. 6173 - Education for Homeless Children)

The Superintendent or designee shall collaborate with the local child welfare agency to determine the provision, arrangement, and funding of transportation to enable foster youth to attend their school of origin when it is in the student's best interest to do so. (20 USC 6312)

(cf. 6173.1 - Education for Foster Youth)

*Legal Reference:*EDUCATION CODE

10900.5 Use of school buses for community recreation

35330 Excursions and field trips

35350 Authority to transport pupils

39800-39809.5 Transportation, general provisions, especially:

39800 Powers of governing board to provide transportation to and from school

39801.5 Transportation for adults

39808 Transportation for private school students

39830-39843 School buses, especially:

39835 Use of school buses for community recreation

39837 Transportation to summer employment program

39837.5 Transportation of employees, parents/guardians, and adult volunteers to school activities

39860 Transportation to school activities

41850-41856 Allowances for transportation

41860-41863 Supplementary allowances for transportation

48853.5 Educational placement of students residing in licensed children's institutions

CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 5

15240-15244 Allowances for student transportation, definitions

UNITED STATES CODE, TITLE 20

1400-1482 Individuals with Disabilities Education Act

6312 Transportation to maintain children in foster care in school of origin

UNITED STATES CODE, TITLE 42

11432 McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act

CODE OF FEDERAL REGULATIONS, TITLE 34

104.4 Equal opportunity under the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, Section 504

300.17 Free appropriate public education

300.34 Special education related services

Management Resources: See next page

TRANSPORTATION ROUTES AND SERVICES (continued)

Management Resources:

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<http://www.cde.ca.gov/ls/tn/or/assignment.asp>

Pupil Transportation Safety Institute: <http://www.ptsi.org>

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TRANSPORTATION FOR SCHOOL-RELATED TRIPS

The district may provide transportation for students, employees, and other individuals for field trips and other school-related trips approved according to Board policy and administrative regulation.

(cf. 3312.2 - Educational Travel Program Contracts)

(cf. 3540 - Transportation)

(cf. 3541 - Transportation Routes and Services)

(cf. 6153 - School-Sponsored Trips)

The Superintendent or designee shall determine the most appropriate and cost-effective mode of transportation for each approved trip. He/she may authorize the use of district vehicles, contract to provide transportation, or arrange transportation by the use of other vehicles.

When district transportation is provided, students may be released from using district transportation only with the advance written permission of their parents/guardians.

School-related organizations requesting transportation shall be fully responsible for the costs of their trips unless funding has been approved by the Governing Board.

(cf. 1230 - School-Connected Organizations)

The Superintendent or designee shall ensure that the district has sufficient liability insurance when field trips or excursions involve either transportation by district vehicles or travel to and from a foreign country. When a trip to a foreign country is authorized, liability insurance shall be secured from a carrier licensed to transact insurance business in that country. (Education Code 35330)

(cf. 3530 - Risk Management/Insurance)

Transportation by Private Vehicle

The Superintendent or designee may authorize the transportation of students by private vehicle when the vehicle is driven by an adult age 21 or older who possesses a valid California driver's license or, if he/she is a nonresident on active military duty in California, possesses a valid license from his/her state of residence. To be approved, a driver shall have a good driving record and possess at least the minimum insurance required by law. Any person providing transportation to district students in a private vehicle shall register with the district for such purposes.

(cf. 1240 - Volunteer Assistance)

Drivers shall receive safety and emergency instructions which shall be kept in their vehicle.

TRANSPORTATION FOR SCHOOL-RELATED TRIPS (continued)

All student passengers shall submit permission slips signed by their parents/guardians. Teachers shall ensure that each driver has a copy of the permission slip for each student riding in his/her vehicle.

The number of passengers, including the driver, shall not exceed the capacity for which the vehicle was designed. Motor trucks may not transport more persons than can safely sit in the passenger compartment. The driver shall ensure that the manufacturer's recommendations for his/her vehicle are followed regarding the seating of children in seats equipped with airbags.

The driver or any other person shall not smoke or have in his/her immediate possession a lighted pipe, cigar, or cigarette containing tobacco or any other plant when there is a minor in the motor vehicle, whether the motor vehicle is in motion or at rest. (Health and Safety Code 118948)

Passenger Restraint Systems

All drivers shall wear safety belts and shall ensure that all passengers are properly secured in seat belts or child passenger restraint systems in accordance with law. (Vehicle Code 27315, 27360, 27360.5, 27363)

A child who is under age 8 years shall be properly secured in a rear seat in an appropriate child passenger restraint system meeting federal safety standards, except under any of the following circumstances: (Vehicle Code 27360, 27363)

1. The child is four feet nine inches or taller, in which case a safety belt may be used.
2. Use of a child passenger restraint system would be impractical by reason of physical unfitness, medical condition, or size and an appropriate special needs child passenger restraint system is not available.
3. There is no rear seat, the rear seats are side-facing jump seats or rear-facing seats, the child passenger restraint system cannot be installed properly in the rear seat, all rear seats are already occupied by children under age 8 years, or medical reasons necessitate that the child not ride in the rear seat.
4. The child is otherwise exempted by law.

Legal Reference: (see next page)

TRANSPORTATION FOR SCHOOL-RELATED TRIPS (continued)

Legal Reference:

EDUCATION CODE

35330 *Excursions and field trips*

35332 *Transportation by air*

39830 *School bus*

39830.1 *School pupil activity bus*

39860 *Transportation to special activities by district*

44808 *Liability when students not on school property*

HEALTH AND SAFETY CODE

118947-118949 *Prohibition against smoking in motor vehicle with minor*

VEHICLE CODE

12814.6 *Limitations of provisional driver's license*

27315 *Mandatory use of seat belts in private passenger vehicles*

27360-27360.5 *Child passenger restraint systems*

27363 *Child passenger restraint systems, exemptions*

Management Resources:

WEB SITES

California Department of Motor Vehicles: <http://www.dmv.ca.gov>

California Highway Patrol: <http://www.chp.ca.gov>

California Office of Traffic Safety: <http://www.ots.ca.gov>

National Highway Traffic Safety Administration: <http://www.nhtsa.dot.gov>

TRANSPORTATION FOR SCHOOL-RELATED TRIPS

SCHOOL DRIVER REGISTRATION FORM

DRIVER INFORMATION

Driver (circle one): Employee Parent/Guardian Volunteer

Name: _____ Date of Birth: _____

Address: _____

Telephone: () _____ Cell Phone: () _____

Driver's License No.: _____ Expiration Date: _____

VEHICLE INFORMATION

Name of Owner: _____

Address: _____

Make: _____ Year: _____ License Plate No.: _____

Registration Expiration: _____ Seating Capacity: _____

INSURANCE INFORMATION

Insurance Company: _____ Telephone: () _____

Policy No.: _____ Expiration Date: _____

Liability Limits of Policy: _____

(Minimum \$100,000 per person/\$300,000 per accident)

DRIVER STATEMENT

I certify that I have not been convicted of reckless driving or driving under the influence of drugs or alcohol within the past five years and that the information given above is true and correct. I understand that if an accident occurs, my insurance coverage shall bear primary responsibility for any losses or claims for damages.

I certify that I have received and will abide by the driver instructions provided by the district.

Name: _____ Date: _____

Please attach photocopy of current policy showing coverage.

Exhibit

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BIGGS UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

Biggs, California

TRANSPORTATION FOR SCHOOL-RELATED TRIPS

DRIVER INSTRUCTIONS

When using your vehicle to transport students on field trips or other school activity trips:

1. Be sure that you have registered with the district for such purposes and have a valid driver's license and current liability insurance at or above the minimum amount required by law for each occurrence.
2. Check the safety of your vehicle: tires, brakes, lights, horn, suspension, etc.
3. Carry only the number of passengers for which your vehicle was designed. If you have a pickup truck, carry only as many as can safely sit in the passenger compartment.
4. Require each passenger to use an appropriate child passenger restraint system (child car seat or booster seat) or safety belt in accordance with law.
5. Do not smoke a pipe, cigar, or cigarette while there are minors in the vehicle, as required by law.
6. Obey all traffic laws.
7. Take the most direct route to the destination or event without unnecessary stops.

In case of emergency, keep all students together and call 911 and the district office at 530-868-1281.

GUIDELINES FOR DRIVER VOLUNTEERS

The district acknowledges the need for responsible private drivers to provide transportation services for numerous school activities that otherwise would not exist without private support.

To ensure that private transportation services will be provided in a safe, efficient, and cost effective manner, the following requirements will be met:

1. The driver will be 21 years of age or over, possess a valid California Driver's License, and shall have maintained a good driving record for at least the past two years.
2. The driver will be in good physical condition, free of any medications that may affect operation of the vehicle.
3. The vehicle will be in excellent condition and repair
4. The vehicle will have a seat belt for each student being transported. Seat belts will be used by every occupant of the vehicle.
5. The vehicle will carry only the number of passengers for which it is designed. In no case, will more than nine students and a driver be transported in a van, SUV, or station wagon.
6. The driver accepts the added responsibility that comes from carrying extra individuals and, therefore, will be conscientious in obeying all driving rules and regulations set forth by the State of California.
7. All volunteer drivers must file an Employee/Volunteer Personal Vehicle Use Form with the school office prior to transporting students.
8. All volunteer drivers shall be fingerprinted for criminal record clearance if they have contact with children (Health and Safety Code 1596-871).
9. The driver will have an insurance policy that will act as the prime carrier for any liability incurred with the following results and amounts of coverage:
 - a. Bodily Injury Liability of not less than \$100,000 each person with \$300,000 each accident
 - b. Property Damage Liability of not less than \$50,000 each accident
 - or
 - c. Combined single limit for Property Damage and Bodily Injury of \$300,000 for each accident.

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BIGGS UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
Biggs, California

APPLICATION FOR FIELD TRIP BY PRIVATE VEHICLE

This district is a member of the Northern California Schools Insurance Group which provides our liability insurance. The group's insurance protects both the district and its employees (or designated volunteers) up to \$1,000,000 for liability. This coverage applies only to employees (or volunteers) when they have been authorized by the district to transport students to and from activities. In order to provide coverage, this application must be on file with the district.

I wish to provide transportation in my private vehicle for students of this district for the following activity:

Describe: _____

Destination: _____

Dates _____ Time Leaving: _____ Time Returning: _____

Year and Make of vehicle: _____ License Plate #: _____

I understand that I am required to carry auto liability insurance with limits of at least \$100,000 each person/each occurrence for bodily injury and \$300,000 each occurrence for property damage (or \$300,000 combined single limit for bodily injury and property damage)

My insurance company is: _____ Policy# _____

For the safety of my passengers, I hereby state that the vehicle is in good operating condition including brakes, lights, steering and turn signals.

Driver Name: _____ Cell Phone Number _____

Driver License Number & Expiration Date _____ Home Address _____

Signature of Applicant _____ Date _____

Signature of District Official and Title _____ Date _____

Please attach photocopy of current policy showing coverage.

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BIGGS UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
Biggs, California

TRANSPORTATION FOR STUDENTS WITH DISABILITIES

The Board of Trustees desires to meet the transportation needs of students with disabilities to enable them to benefit from special education and related services. The district shall provide appropriate transportation services for a student with disabilities when the district is the student's district of residence and the transportation services are required by his/her individualized education program (IEP) or Section 504 accommodation plan.

(cf. [0430](#) - Comprehensive Local Plan for Special Education)

(cf. [3540](#) - Transportation)

(cf. [6159](#) - Individualized Education Program)

(cf. [6164.4](#) - Identification and Evaluation of Individuals for Special Education)

(cf. [6164.6](#) - Identification and Education Under Section 504)

The specific needs of the student shall be the primary consideration when an IEP team is determining the student's transportation needs. Considerations may include, but are not limited to, the student's health needs, travel distances, physical accessibility and safety of streets and sidewalks, accessibility of public transportation systems, midday or other transportation needs, extended-year services, and, as necessary, implementation of a behavioral intervention plan.

The Superintendent or designee shall provide IEP teams with information about district transportation services in order to assist them in making decisions as to the mode, schedule, and location of transportation services that may be available to each student with disabilities. The IEP team may communicate with district transportation staff and/or invite transportation staff to attend IEP team meetings where the student's transportation needs will be discussed.

Transportation services specified in a student's IEP or Section 504 plan shall be provided at no cost to the student or his/her parent/guardian.

(cf. [3250](#) - Transportation Fees)

If a student whose IEP or accommodation plan specifies transportation needs is excluded from school bus transportation for any reason, such as suspension, expulsion, or other reason, the district shall provide alternative transportation at no cost to the student or parent/guardian. (Education Code [48915.5](#))

(cf. [5131.1](#) - Bus Conduct)

(cf. [5144.2](#) - Suspension and Expulsion/Due Process (Students with Disabilities))

When contracting with a nonpublic, nonsectarian school or agency to provide special education services, the Superintendent or designee shall ensure that the contract includes general administrative and financial agreements related to the provision of transportation services if specified in the student's IEP. (Education Code [56366](#))

(cf. [6159.2](#) - Nonpublic, Nonsectarian School and Agency Services for Special Education)

TRANSPORTATION FOR STUDENTS WITH DISABILITIES (continued)

The Superintendent or designee shall arrange transportation schedules so that students with disabilities do not spend an excessive amount of time on buses compared to other students. Arrivals and departures shall not reduce the length of the school day for these students except as may be prescribed on an individual basis.

(cf. [0410](#) - *Nondiscrimination in District Programs and Activities*)

(cf. [3541](#) - *Transportation Routes and Services*)

The Superintendent or designee shall ensure that any mobile seating devices used on district buses are compatible with bus securement systems required by 49 CFR [571.222](#). (Education Code [56195.8](#))

(cf. [3542](#) - *School Bus Drivers*)

As necessary, a student with disabilities may be accompanied on school transportation by a service animal, as defined in 28 CFR [35.104](#), including a specially trained guide dog, signal dog, or service dog. (Education Code [39839](#); Civil Code [54.1-54.2](#); 28 CFR [35.136](#))

(cf. [6163.2](#) - *Animals at School*)

When transportation is not specifically required by the IEP or Section 504 plan of a student with disabilities, the student shall be subject to the rules and policies regarding regular transportation offerings within the district.

*Legal Reference:*EDUCATION CODE

[39807.5](#) *Payment of transportation cost*

[39839](#) *Guide dogs, signal dogs, and service dogs on bus*

[41850-41854](#) *Allowances for transportation*

[48300-48315](#) *Alternative interdistrict attendance program*

[48915.5](#) *Expulsion of students with exceptional needs*

[56040](#) *No cost for special education and related services*

[56195.8](#) *Adoption of policies*

[56327](#) *Assessment for special education and related services*

[56345](#) *Individualized education program*

[56365-56366.1](#) *Nonpublic nonsectarian schools or agencies*

CIVIL CODE

[54.1-54.2](#) *Service animals*

CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 5

[15243](#) *Physically handicapped minors*

[15271](#) *Exclusion from report*

UNITED STATES CODE, TITLE 20

[1400-1482](#) *Individuals with Disabilities Education Act*

UNITED STATES CODE, TITLE 29

[794](#) *Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973*

CODE OF FEDERAL REGULATIONS, TITLE 28

[35.104](#) *Definitions*

[35.136](#) *Service animals*

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TRANSPORTATION FOR STUDENTS WITH DISABILITIES (continued)

Legal Reference: Continued

[104.4](#) *Equal opportunity under the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, Section 504*

[300.1-300.818](#) *Individuals with Disabilities Education Act, especially:*

[300.34](#) *Transportation defined as related service*

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SCHOOL BUS DRIVERS

In order to provide a safe and efficient student transportation service, the district may employ its own school bus or student activity bus drivers or may contract with an agency that provides such transportation service. Such school bus or student activity bus drivers shall be required to comply with Board Policy 3540 – Transportation and other applicable district policies and regulations.

Qualifications

All drivers employed to operate a school bus or a student activity bus shall: (Education Code 39877, 39878)

1. Hold a valid California driver's license for the appropriate class of vehicle
2. Be at least 18 years of age
3. Pass a criminal background check, including fingerprint clearance consistent with Education Code 45125 for district employees and Education Code 45125.1 for all other compensated drivers
4. Have a satisfactory driving record that does not include any of the following:
 - a. Within three years, has committed any violation that results in a conviction assigned a violation point count of two or more, as defined in Vehicle Code 12810 and 12810.5
 - b. Within three years, has had driving privilege suspended, revoked, or on probation for any reason involving the unsafe operation of a motor vehicle
 - c. Has been determined by the Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV) to be a negligent or incompetent operator
5. Not have demonstrated irrational behavior to the extent that a reasonable and prudent person would have reasonable cause to believe that the driver's ability to perform the duties of a driver may be impaired
6. Not have been convicted of an offense listed in Vehicle Code 13370(a)(1), (a)(5) or (b)
7. Provide the district or the private entity contracting with the district a report showing the driver's current public record as recorded by the DMV and participate in the DMV's pull-notice system
8. Comply with the district's drug and alcohol testing in accordance with Administrative Regulation 4112.42 – Drug and Alcohol Testing for School Bus Drivers, subject to the cannabis discrimination limitations specified in Government Code 12954

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9. Complete a medical examination not more than two years prior to the driver performing student transportation by a qualified health professional
 - a. The driver shall provide a copy of the medical certificate to the district or the private entity contracting with the district
 - b. The driver shall complete a medical examination pursuant to this paragraph every two years after the initial examination and provide a copy of the medical examiner's certificate of clearance to the district or the private entity contracting with the district
 - c. Within the same month of reaching age 65 years, and annually thereafter, the driver shall undergo a medical examination and provide a copy of the medical examiner's certificate of clearance to the district or the private entity contracting with the district
10. Submit and clear a tuberculosis risk assessment pursuant to Education Code 49406

Additionally, all drivers employed to operate school buses or student activity buses shall possess, and retain in their immediate possession while operating the bus, a certificate issued by the California Highway Patrol (CHP) which permits the operation of school buses or student activity buses, as applicable. (Vehicle Code 12517, 12517.4)

The Superintendent or designee may use an electronic fingerprinting system, managed by the California Department of Justice, to fingerprint an applicant for an initial certificate to drive a school bus or student activity bus. (Vehicle Code 12517.3)

(cf. 4212.5 - Criminal Record Check)

When initially applying for or renewing a license or certificate to drive a school bus or student activity bus, and annually upon reaching age 65 years, the driver shall submit to the DMV and to the Superintendent or designee a report of a medical examination conducted in accordance with the timelines and procedures specified in Vehicle Code 12517.2. (Vehicle Code 12517.2; 13 CCR 1234)

The Superintendent or designee shall notify each driver of the expiration date of the individual's driver's license, certificate, and medical certificate and shall ensure each document is renewed prior to expiration. (13 CCR 1234)

(4112.9/4212.9/4312.9 - Employee Notifications)

The Superintendent or designee shall notify the DMV within five days whenever any driver refuses, fails to comply, or receives a positive test result on a drug or alcohol test; is dismissed for a cause related to student transportation safety; or is reinstated after being dismissed for a cause related to student transportation safety. (Vehicle Code 1808.8, 13376)

SCHOOL BUS DRIVERS (continued)

Training

In addition to any other training required to obtain or renew the certificate authorizing operation of a school bus or student activity bus, drivers shall receive training which includes, but is not limited to:

1. The proper installation of mobile seating devices in the bus securement systems (Education Code 56195.8)

(cf. 3541.2 - Transportation for Students with Disabilities)

2. The proper actions to be taken in the event that a school bus is hijacked (Education Code 39831)
3. The district's Transportation Safety Plan

All drivers employed to operate school buses or student activity buses shall complete training at least equivalent to the American Red Cross first aid training program, or hold a valid and current first aid certificate issued by the American Red Cross or equivalent. Additionally, all drivers shall complete training sufficient to gain proficiency in all of the following: (Education Code 39877, 39878)

- a. Pretrip vehicle inspections
- b. Safe loading and unloading of passengers
- c. Proper use of seatbelts and child safety restraints
- d. Handling accidents, incidents, and emergency situations
- e. Providing proper accommodations for students with disabilities
- f. Defensive driving
- g. Operations in inclement weather
- h. Operations at night or under impaired visibility conditions

To determine any other needs for professional development, the Superintendent or designee shall periodically review accident reports involving district drivers and may seek input from drivers, district and school administrators, students, and/or other stakeholders on desired topics for professional development.

(cf. 4131 - Staff Development)

SCHOOL BUS DRIVERS (continued)

Authority

Students transported in a school bus or student activity bus shall be under the authority of, and responsible directly to, the driver of the bus. The driver shall be held responsible for the orderly conduct of the students while they are on the bus or being escorted across a street, highway, or road. (5 CCR 14103)

(cf. 5131.1 - Bus Conduct)

The driver shall have the authority to discontinue the operation of a school bus or student activity bus whenever the driver determines that it is unsafe to continue.

(cf. 3516.5 - Emergency Schedules)

(cf. 3543 - Transportation Safety and Emergencies)

This regulation and AR 5131.1 - Bus Conduct shall be made available to parents/guardians, students, teachers, and other interested parties. (5 CCR 14103)

Responsibilities

The driver's primary responsibility is to safely transport students to and from school and school activities. The driver shall follow procedures contained in district plans and regulations pertaining to transportation safety.

The driver shall stop to load or unload students only at school bus stops designated by the Superintendent or designee, or authorized by the Superintendent or designee for school activity trips. (Vehicle Code 22112)

(cf. 3541 - Transportation Routes and Services)

The driver shall activate the amber warning light system, flashing red signal lights, and stop arm signal and shall escort students in accordance with Vehicle Code 22112.

The driver shall not require any student to leave the bus en route between home and school or other destinations. (5 CCR 14103)

The driver shall not drive a school bus or student activity bus while using a wireless telephone or using a wireless communications device for text-based communication, except when otherwise authorized by law and AR 3543 - Transportation Safety and Emergencies.

All drivers employed to operate school buses or student activity buses shall not drive for more than 10 hours within a work period, or after the end of the 16th hour after coming on duty following eighth consecutive hours off duty. Additionally, drivers shall maintain a daily log sheet and complete the daily pretrip inspection of the vehicle before the vehicle is driven.

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The pretrip inspection shall include a check of the vehicle for fluid leaks and the operability of all lights and the brakes, each of which shall be initialed by the driver. (Education Code 39877, 39878)

The driver shall report at the completion of each day's work on each vehicle operated by the driver, all of the following to the Superintendent or designee:

1. The condition of the driver's bus at the completion of each work day (13 CCR 1215; 49 CFR 396.11, 396.13)
2. The driver's duty status for each 24-hour period, including, but not limited to, the number of hours on and off duty (13 CCR 1213)
3. Any traffic accident involving the driver's bus (13 CCR 1219)

In addition to notifying the Superintendent or designee, the driver shall immediately notify the CHP of any traffic accident and, if the bus is operated under contract, the driver's employer. (13 CCR 1219)

4. Traffic violations by the driver
5. Consistently late school dismissals which cause transportation delays for the driver's bus
6. Overload runs by the driver
7. Recurring and serious student misbehavior on the driver's bus
8. Parent/guardian and student complaints regarding the driver or related to the driver's bus

Vehicle Idling

The driver of a school bus or student activity bus shall do both of the following: (13 CCR 2480)

1. Turn off the bus engine upon stopping at a school or within 100 feet of a school and not restart the engine more than 30 seconds before beginning to depart
1. Not cause or allow the bus to idle at any location greater than 100 feet from a school for more than five consecutive minutes or for an aggregated period of more than five minutes in any one hour

(cf. 3514 - Environmental Safety)

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However, vehicle idling may be allowed under limited conditions, including, but not limited to, all of the following occasions when idling is necessary to: (13 CCR 2480)

1. Stop for an official traffic control signal or device, for traffic conditions under which the driver has no control, or at the direction of law enforcement
2. Ascertain that the bus is in safe operating condition and properly equipped
3. Operate equipment designed to safely load, unload, or transport students with disabilities
4. Operate a heater, air conditioner, defroster, or other equipment as necessary to ensure the safety or health of passengers
5. Cool down a turbo-charged diesel engine before turning off the engine
6. Recharge a battery or other energy storage unit of a hybrid electric bus or vehicle

The Superintendent or designee shall notify all drivers, upon employment and at least once per year thereafter, of the requirements specified above and the potential legal and employment consequences of failure to comply. All complaints of noncompliance shall be reviewed and remedial action taken as necessary. The Superintendent or designee shall retain records of the training and of any complaints and enforcement actions for at least three years. (13 CCR 2480)

Reports

The Superintendent or designee shall retain records of all of the following: (13 CCR 1234)

1. Each driver's duty status and supporting documents provided pursuant to 13 CCR 1201 and 1213. Such records shall be retained for six months and made available to the CHP upon request.
2. The different types of vehicles and vehicle combinations each driver has demonstrated capability to operate.
3. Records of each driver's license, certificate, medical certificate, first aid certificate, and training as specified in 13 CCR 1234.
4. Daily vehicle inspection reports prepared by drivers pursuant to 13 CCR 1215
5. School bus accident reports. A report of each accident that occurred on public or private property involving a school bus with students aboard, including pertinent details of the accident, shall be retained for 12 months from the date of the accident. If the accident was not investigated by CHP, the Superintendent or designee shall

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forward a copy of the report to the local CHP within five business days of the date of the accident.

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PENAL CODE

241.3 *Assault against school bus driver*

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2570-2574 *Contracts with private school bus contractors*

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25257-25257.7 *School bus equipment*

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14103 *Authority of the driver*

14104 *School bus driver instructor*

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1200-1202.2 *Motor carrier safety*

1212-1228 *School bus driver requirements*

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40.1-40.413 *Transportation drug and alcohol testing programs*

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BIGGS UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

Biggs, California

Administrative Regulation

Business and Noninstructional Operations

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TRANSPORTATION SAFETY AND EMERGENCIES

Cautionary Notice: Government Code 17581.5 relieves districts from the obligation to perform specified mandated activities when the Budget Act does not provide reimbursement during that fiscal year. The Budget Act of 2018 (SB 840, Ch. 29, Statutes of 2018) extends the suspension of these requirements through the 2018-19 fiscal year. As a result, certain provisions of the following administrative regulation related to transportation safety plans and safety instruction for students may be suspended.

Each day, prior to driving a school bus, each school bus driver shall inspect the bus to ensure that it is in safe operating condition and equipped as required by law and that all equipment is in good working order. At the completion of each day's work, the driver shall prepare and sign a written report of the condition of the equipment specified in 13 CCR 1215. The report shall indicate any defect or deficiency discovered by or reported to the driver which would affect safe operation or result in mechanical breakdown of the bus. If no defect or deficiency is discovered or reported, the driver shall so indicate on the report. Any defect or deficiency that would affect safe operation shall be repaired prior to operating the bus. (13 CCR 1215)

(cf. 3540 - Transportation)

(cf. 3541.1 - Transportation for School-Related Trips)

(cf. 3542 - School Bus Drivers)

Passenger Restraint Systems

The Superintendent or designee shall ensure that any school bus or student activity bus which is purchased or leased by the district is equipped with a combination pelvic and upper torso passenger restraint system at all designated seating positions if that bus: (Vehicle Code 27316, 27316.5; 13 CCR 1201)

1. Is a Type 1 school bus designed for carrying more than 16 passengers and the driver, and was manufactured on or after July 1, 2005
2. Is a Type 2 school bus or student activity bus designed for carrying 16 or fewer passengers and the driver, or for carrying 20 or fewer passengers and the driver if the bus has a manufacturer's vehicle weight rating of 10,000 pounds or less, and was manufactured on or after July 1, 2004

The Superintendent or designee shall prioritize the allocation of school buses purchased, leased, or contracted to ensure that elementary students receive first priority for new school buses equipped with passenger restraint systems whenever feasible.

When a school bus or student activity bus is equipped with a passenger restraint system, all passengers shall use the passenger restraint system. (5 CCR 14105)

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Bus drivers shall be instructed regarding procedures to enforce the proper use of the passenger restraint system. Students who fail to follow instructions of the bus driver may be subject to discipline, including suspension of riding privileges, in accordance with Board policy and administrative regulations.

(cf. 5131.1 - Bus Conduct)

(cf. 5144 - Discipline)

Fire Extinguishers

Each school bus shall be equipped with at least one fire extinguisher, located in the driver's compartment, which meets the standards specified in law. In addition, a wheelchair school bus shall have another fire extinguisher placed at the wheelchair loading door or emergency exit. All fire extinguishers shall be regularly inspected and serviced in accordance with regulations adopted by the State Fire Marshal. (Education Code 39838; 13 CCR 1242; 19 CCR 574-575.3)

Child Safety Alert System

In accordance with Vehicle Code 28160, each school bus or student activity bus shall be equipped with an operational child safety alert system at the interior rear of the bus that requires the driver to either manually contact or scan the device, thereby prompting the driver to inspect the entirety of the interior of the vehicle before exiting.

A student activity bus that does not have a child safety alert system may be used only if all of the following apply: (Vehicle Code 28160)

1. The student activity bus is not used exclusively to transport students.
2. When the student activity bus is used to transport students, the students are accompanied by at least one adult chaperone selected by a school official. If an adult chaperone is not a school employee, the chaperone shall meet the requirements for a school volunteer.

(cf. 1240 - Volunteer Assistance)

3. One adult chaperone has a list of every student and adult chaperone, including a school employee, who is on the student activity bus at the time of departure.
4. The driver has reviewed all safety and emergency procedures before the initial departure, and the driver and adult chaperone have signed a form, with the time and date, acknowledging that the safety plan and procedures were reviewed.
5. Immediately before departure from any location, the adult chaperone shall account for each student on the list of students, verify the number of students to the driver, and sign a form indicating that all students are present or accounted for.

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6. After students have exited a student activity bus, and before driving away, the driver shall check all areas of the bus, including, but not limited to, overhead compartments and bathrooms, to ensure that the bus is vacant.
7. The driver shall sign a form with the time and date verifying that all required procedures have been followed.
8. The information required to be recorded pursuant to items #4, 5, and 7 may be recorded on a single form and shall be retained by the district for a minimum of two years.

Electronic Communications Devices

A bus driver is prohibited from driving a school bus or student activity bus while using a wireless telephone or other electronic wireless communications device except for work-related or emergency purposes, including, but not limited to, contacting a law enforcement agency, health care provider, fire department, or other emergency service agency or entity. In any such permitted situation, the driver shall only use a wireless telephone or device that is specifically designed and configured to allow voice-operated and hands-free operation or a function that requires only a single swipe or tap of the driver's finger provided the device is mounted on the windshield, dashboard, or center console of the bus. (Vehicle Code 23123.5, 23125)

Safe Bus Operations

School buses and student activity buses shall not be operated whenever the number of passengers exceeds bus seating capacity, except when necessary in emergency situations which require that individuals be transported immediately to ensure their safety. (Education Code 39834)

(cf. 3516 - Emergencies and Disaster Preparedness Plan)

School bus operations shall be limited when atmospheric conditions reduce visibility on the roadway to 200 feet or less during regular home-to-school transportation service. Bus drivers for school activity trips may discontinue bus operation whenever they determine that it is unsafe to continue operation because of reduced visibility. (Vehicle Code 34501.6)

Procedures for Discontinuance of Service due to Reduced Visibility

In order to insure safe operations at all times, drivers will be responsible to assess road conditions on a continuous basis. If, due to atmospheric conditions, visibility on the roadways is reduced to 200 feet or less, the driver will advise the Superintendent or his designee of the fact and a decision will be made as to the next course of action.

TRANSPORTATION SAFETY AND EMERGENCIES (continued)**Unauthorized Entry**

The Superintendent or designee may place a notice at bus entrances that warns against unauthorized entry. The driver or another school official may order any person to disembark if that person enters a bus without prior authorization. (Education Code 39842; 13 CCR 1256.5)

(cf. 3515.2 - Disruptions)

Transportation Safety Plan for Boarding and Exiting Buses

The Superintendent or designee shall develop a transportation safety plan containing procedures for school personnel to follow to ensure the safe transport of students. The plan shall address all of the following: (Education Code 39831.3)

1. Determination of whether students in grades prekindergarten through 8 require an escort to cross a private road or highway at a bus stop pursuant to Vehicle Code 22112
2. Procedures for all students in grades prekindergarten through 8 to follow as they board and exit the bus at their bus stops
3. Boarding and exiting a school bus at a school or other trip destination
4. Procedures to ensure that a student is not left unattended on a school bus, student activity bus, or, if applicable, youth bus
5. Procedures and standards for designating an adult chaperone, other than the driver, to accompany students on a school activity bus

A copy of the plan shall be kept at each school site and made available upon request to the California Highway Patrol (CHP). (Education Code 39831.3)

Parental Notifications

The Superintendent or designee shall provide written safety information to the parents/guardians of all students in grades prekindergarten through 6 who have not previously been transported in a district school bus or student activity bus. This information shall be provided upon registration and shall contain: (Education Code 39831.5)

1. A list of school bus stops near each student's home
2. General rules of conduct at school bus loading zones
3. Red light crossing instructions

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4. A description of the school bus danger zone
5. Instructions for safely walking to and from school bus stops

(cf. 5145.6 - Parental Notifications)

Student Instruction

Students who are transported in a school bus or student activity bus shall receive instruction in school bus emergency procedures and passenger safety as follows: (Education Code 39831.5; 5 CCR 14102)

1. Each year, all students who receive home-to-school transportation in a school bus shall be provided appropriate instruction in safe riding practices and emergency evacuation drills.
2. At least once each school year, all students in grades prekindergarten through 8 who receive home-to-school transportation shall receive safety instruction which includes, but is not limited to:
 - a. Proper loading and unloading procedures, including escorting by the driver
 - b. How to safely cross the street, highway, or private road
 - c. In school buses with passenger restraint systems, instruction in the use of such systems as specified in 5 CCR 14105, including, but not limited to, the proper fastening and release of the passenger restraint system, acceptable placement of passenger restraint systems on students, times at which the passenger restraint systems should be fastened and released, and acceptable placement of the passenger restraint systems when not in use
 - d. Proper passenger conduct
 - e. Bus evacuation procedures
 - f. Location of emergency equipment

As part of this instruction, students shall evacuate the school bus through emergency exit doors. Instruction also may include responsibilities of passengers seated next to an emergency exit.

Each time the above instruction is given, the following information shall be documented:

- a. District name

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- b. School name and location
- c. Date of instruction
- d. Names of supervising adults
- e. Number of students participating
- f. Grade levels of students
- g. Subjects covered in instruction
- h. Amount of time taken for instruction
- i. Bus driver's name
- j. Bus number
- k. Additional remarks

This documentation shall be kept on file at the district office or the school for one year and shall be available for inspection by the CHP.

(cf. 3580 - District Records)

3. Before departing on a school activity trip, all students riding on a school bus or student activity bus shall receive safety instruction which includes, but is not limited to, the location of emergency exits and the location and use of emergency equipment. This instruction also may include responsibilities of passengers seated next to an emergency exit.

Bus Accidents

In the event of a school bus accident, the driver shall immediately notify the CHP and the Superintendent or designee. The driver shall not leave the immediate vicinity of the bus to seek aid unless necessary. (13 CCR 1219)

The Superintendent or designee shall maintain a report of each accident that occurred on public or private property involving a school bus with students aboard. The report shall contain pertinent details of the accident and shall be retained for 12 months from the date of the accident. If the accident was not investigated by the CHP, the Superintendent or designee shall forward a copy of the report to the local CHP within five work days of the date of the accident. (13 CCR 1234)

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The Superintendent or designee shall review all investigations of bus incidents and accidents to develop preventative measures.

(cf. 4112.42/4212.42/4312.42 - Drug and Alcohol Testing for School Bus Drivers)

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34501.5 California Highway Patrol responsibility to adopt rules re: safe operation of school buses

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Passenger Restraints Frequently Asked Questions

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California Association of School Business Officials: <http://www.casbo.org>

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California Department of Education, Office of School Transportation: <http://www.cde.ca.gov/ls/tn>

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BIGGS UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

Biggs, California

FOOD SERVICE/CHILD NUTRITION PROGRAM

The Board of Trustees recognizes that adequate, nourishing food is essential to student health and well-being, development, and ability to learn. The Superintendent or designee shall develop strategies to increase students' access to and participation in the district's food service programs and maintain fiscal integrity of the programs in accordance with law.

Each school day, a nutritionally adequate breakfast and lunch shall be made available at no cost to any student who requests a meal, including a student enrolled in an independent study program on any school day in which the student is scheduled for in-person educational activities of two or more hours. A nutritionally adequate breakfast or lunch is one that qualifies for reimbursement under the most current meal pattern for the federal School Breakfast Program or National School Lunch Program.

After a student has been provided a school meal at no cost, the district may sell the student the entrée from an additional nutritiously adequate meal that qualifies for federal reimbursement, from the same meal service. (Education Code 49431)

Foods and beverages available through the district's food service program shall:

1. Be carefully selected so as to contribute to students' nutritional well-being and the prevention of disease
2. Meet or exceed nutrition standards specified in law
3. Be prepared in ways that will appeal to students, retain nutritive quality, and foster lifelong healthful eating habits
4. Be served in age-appropriate portions

At the beginning of each school year, the Superintendent or designee shall communicate information related to the district's food service programs to the public through available means, including, but not limited to, the district's website, social media, flyers, and school publications.

The district's food service program shall give priority to serving freshly prepared onsite meals, using whole or minimally processed sustainable foods which are locally grown or produced, including fresh fruits and vegetables, and providing plant-based or restricted diet food options for students.

District schools are encouraged to establish school gardens and/or farm-to-school projects to increase the availability of safe, fresh, seasonal fruits and vegetables for school meals, positively impact students' knowledge related to food and nutrition, support the district's nutrition education program, and increase students' consumption of these foods and participation in school meals.

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To the extent possible, the school meal program shall be coordinated with the nutrition education program, instructional program for teachers, parents/guardians and food service employees, available community resources, and other related district programs.

To encourage student participation in school meal programs, schools may offer multiple choices of food items within a meal service, provided all food items meet nutrition standards and all students are given an opportunity to select any food item.

The Superintendent or designee may invite students and parents/guardians to participate in the selection of foods of good nutritional quality for school menus.

Students shall be allowed adequate time and space to eat meals.

To the extent possible, school, recess, and transportation schedules shall be designed to promote participation in school meal programs.

The Superintendent or designee shall periodically review the adequacy of school cafeterias and facilities for food preparation and consumption.

In accordance with law, the Superintendent or designee shall develop and maintain a food safety program in order to reduce the risk of foodborne hazards at each step of the food preparation and service process.

The Superintendent or designee shall annually report to the Board on student participation in the district's nutrition programs and the extent to which the district's food service program meets state and federal nutrition standards for foods and beverages. In addition, the Superintendent or designee shall provide all necessary and available documentation required for the Administrative Review conducted by the California Department of Education (CDE) to ensure the food service program's compliance with federal requirements related to nutrition standards, meal patterns, provision of drinking water, school meal environment, food safety, and other areas as required by the CDE.

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<http://www.californiaprojectlean.org>**California School Nutrition Association: <http://www.calsna.org>**Centers for Disease Control and Prevention: <http://www.cdc.gov>**National Alliance for Nutrition and Activity: <http://www.cspinet.org/nutritionpolicy/nana.html>**U.S. Department of Agriculture, Food and Nutrition Service: <http://www.fns.usda.gov/fns>*

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Nutrition Standards for School Meals

Meals, food items, and beverages provided through the district's food services program shall: (Education Code 49501.5, 49553; 42 USC 1758, 1773)

1. Comply with National School Lunch and/or Breakfast Program standards for meal patterns, nutrient levels, and calorie requirements for the ages/grade levels served, as specified in 7 CFR 210.10 or 220.8 as applicable
2. Not be deep fried, par fried, or flash fried, as defined in Education Code 49430 and 49430.7

Drinking Water

The district shall provide access to free, fresh drinking water during meal times in food service areas at all district schools, including, but not limited to, areas where reimbursable meals under the National School Lunch or Breakfast Program are served or consumed. (Education Code 38086; 42 USC 1758)

Special Milk Program

Any school that does not participate in the National School Lunch or Breakfast Program may participate in the Special Milk Program to provide all enrolled students with reasonably priced milk. (7 CFR 215.7)

Food Safety

The Superintendent or designee shall ensure that the district's food service program meets the applicable sanitation and safety requirements of the California Retail Food Code as set forth in Health and Safety Code 113700-114437.

For all district schools participating in the National School Lunch and/or School Breakfast Program, the Superintendent or designee shall implement a written food safety program for the storage, preparation, and service of school meals which complies with the national Hazard Analysis and Critical Control Point (HACCP) system. The district's HACCP plan shall include, but is not limited to, a determination of critical control points and critical limits at each stage of food production, monitoring procedures, corrective actions, and recordkeeping procedures. (42 USC 1758; 7 CFR 210.13, 220.7)

The Superintendent or designee shall ensure that food service directors, managers, and staff complete an annual continuing education or training as required by law. Each new employee, including a substitute, or volunteer shall complete initial food safety training prior to

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handling food. For each employee, the Superintendent or designee shall document the date, trainer, and subject of each training.

The Superintendent or designee shall assign staff to maintain records and logs documenting food safety activities, including, but not limited to, records of food deliveries, time and temperature monitoring during food production, equipment temperature (freezer, cooler, thermometer calibration), corrective actions, verification or review of safety efforts, and staff training.

Inspection of Food Facilities

All food preparation and service areas shall be inspected in accordance with Health and Safety Code 113725-113725.1 and applicable county regulations.

Each school participating in the National School Lunch and/or Breakfast Program shall, during each school year, obtain a minimum of two food safety inspections conducted by the county environmental health agency. (42 USC 1758; 7 CFR 210.13, 220.7)

The Superintendent or designee shall retain records from the most recent food safety inspection. All schools shall post a notice indicating that the most recent inspection report is available to any interested person upon request. (Health and Safety Code 113725.1; 42 USC 1758; 7 CFR 210.13, 210.15, 220.7)

State

5 CCR 15510
 5 CCR 15530-15535
 5 CCR 15550-15565
 5 CCR 15575-15578
 Ed. Code 35182.5
 Ed. Code 38080-38103
 Ed. Code 45103.5
 Ed. Code 48432.3
 Ed. Code 49430-49434
 Ed. Code 49490-49494
 Ed. Code 49500-49505
 Ed. Code 49501.5
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FOOD SERVICE OPERATIONS/CAFETERIA FUND

The Board of Trustees intends that school food services shall be a self-supporting, nonprofit program. To ensure program quality and cost effectiveness, the Superintendent or designee shall centralize and direct the purchasing of foods and supplies, the planning of menus, and the auditing of all food service accounts for the district.

At the Board's discretion, district funds other than the cafeteria fund may be used for the purchase of school meals.

The Superintendent or designee shall ensure that food service director(s) possess the qualifications required by 7 CFR 210.30 and California Department of Education (CDE) standards.

At least once each year, food service administrators, other appropriate personnel who conduct or oversee administrative procedures, and other food service personnel shall receive training provided by CDE. (42 USC 1776)

Meal Sales

Each school day, a nutritionally adequate breakfast and lunch shall be made available at no cost to any student who requests a meal, including a student enrolled in an independent study program on any school day in which the student is scheduled for in-person educational activities of two or more hours. After such school meals have been made available to a student, the district may sell the student the entrée from an additional nutritiously adequate meal that qualifies for federal reimbursement, from the same meal service. (Education Code 49431, 49501.5)

As permitted by law, adult meals and other nonprogram foods, such as smart snack compliant food and beverages sold in vending machines, may be sold to students. (Education Code 38082, 49431, 49501.5)

Meals may be sold to district employees, Board members, and employees or members of the fund or association maintaining the cafeteria. (Education Code 38082)

In addition, meals may be sold to nonstudents, including parents/guardians, volunteers, students' siblings, or other individuals, who are authorized by the Superintendent or designee to be on campus. Any meals served to nonstudents shall not be subsidized by federal or state reimbursements, food service revenues, or U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) foods.

Meal prices, as recommended by the Superintendent or designee and approved by the Board, shall be based on the costs of providing food services and consistent with Education Code 38084 and 42 USC 1760.

The Superintendent or designee shall establish strategies and procedures for the collection of meal payments. Such procedures shall conform with 2 CFR 200.426 and any applicable CDE

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guidance. The Superintendent or designee shall clearly communicate these procedures to students and parents/guardians, and shall make this policy and the accompanying administrative regulation available to the public pursuant to Education Code 49557.5.

Cafeteria Fund and Account

The Superintendent or designee shall establish a cafeteria fund independent of the district's general fund.

The Superintendent or designee shall ensure that state and federal funds provided through school meal programs are allocated only for purposes related to the operation or improvement of food services and for reasonable and necessary indirect program costs as allowed by law.

The wages, salaries, and benefits of food service employees shall be paid from the cafeteria fund. (Education Code 38103)

Contracts with Outside Services

With Board approval, the district may enter into a contract for food service consulting services or management services in one or more district schools. (Education Code 45103.5; 42 USC 1758; 7 CFR 210.16)

Procurement of Foods, Equipment and Supplies

To the maximum extent practicable, foods purchased for use in school meals by the district or by any entity purchasing food on its behalf shall be domestic commodities or products. Domestic commodity or product means an agricultural commodity that is produced in the United States and a food product that is processed in the United States substantially using agricultural commodities that are produced in the United States. (42 USC 1760; 7 CFR 210.21)

The district's food service program shall give priority to serving freshly prepared onsite meals, using whole or minimally processed sustainable foods which are locally grown or produced, including fresh fruits and vegetables, and to providing plant-based or restricted diet food options for students.

When soliciting for bids and contracts for the purchase of an agricultural food product, the district shall specify in the solicitation that only the purchase of agricultural food products grown, packed, or processed domestically is authorized, unless a specific exception applies. A nondomestic food product may be purchased for use in the district's food service program only as a last resort when the product is not produced or manufactured in the United States in sufficient and reasonably available quantities of a satisfactory quality, the quality of the domestic product is inferior to the quality of the nondomestic product, or the bid or price of the nondomestic product is more than 25 percent lower than the bid or price of the domestic product. In such cases, the Superintendent or designee shall retain documentation justifying the use of the exception for three years from the date of purchase. (Food and Agriculture Code 58596.3)

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Furthermore, the district shall accept a bid or price for an agricultural product grown in California before accepting a bid or price for a domestic agricultural product that is grown outside the state, if the quality of the California-grown product is comparable and the bid or price does not exceed the lowest bid or price for domestic product produced outside the state. (Food and Agriculture Code 58595)

Bid solicitations and awards for purchases of equipment, materials, or supplies in support of the district's child nutrition program, or for contracts awarded pursuant to Public Contract Code 2000, shall be consistent with the federal procurement standards in 2 CFR 200.318-200.326. Awards shall be let to the most responsive and responsible party. Price shall be the primary consideration, but not the only determining factor, in making such an award. (Public Contract Code 20111)

Program Monitoring and Evaluation

The Superintendent or designee shall present to the Board, at least annually, financial reports regarding revenues and expenditures related to the food service program.

The Superintendent or designee shall provide all necessary documentation required for the Administrative Review conducted by CDE to ensure compliance of the district's food service program with federal requirements.

State

5 CCR 15550-15565
Ed. Code 38080-38086
Ed. Code 38090-38095
Ed. Code 38100-38103
Ed. Code 42646
Ed. Code 45103.5
Ed. Code 49490-49493
Ed. Code 49500-49505
Ed. Code 49550-49564.5
Ed. Code 49554
Ed. Code 49580-49581
F&A Code 58595
H&S Code 113700-114437
Pub. Cont. Code 2000-2002
Pub. Cont. Code 20111

Federal

2 CFR 200
2 CFR 200.318-200.326
2 CFR 200.400-200.475
2 CFR 200.56
42 USC 1751-1769j
42 USC 1771-1793

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42 USC 1773
 7 CFR 210.1-210.31
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 7 CFR 220.1-220.21
 7 CFR 220.1-220.22
 7 CFR 245.8
 7 CFR 250.1-250.70

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Payments for Meals

The Superintendent or designee shall maintain a system for accurately recording payments received and tracking meals provided to each student.

At the beginning of the school year, the Superintendent or designee shall communicate the district's meal payment policies through multiple methods, including, but not limited to:

1. Explaining the meal charge policy within registration materials provided to parents/guardians at the start of the school year
2. Including the policy in print versions of student handbooks, if provided to parents/guardians annually
3. Providing the policy whenever parents/guardians are notified regarding the application process for free and reduced-price meals, such as in the distribution of eligibility forms at the start of the school year
4. Posting the policy on the district's web site

Reimbursement Claims

The Superintendent or designee shall maintain records of the number of meals served each day by school site and by category of free and reduced-price meals. The Superintendent or designee shall submit reimbursement claims for school meals to the California Department of Education (CDE) using the online Child Nutrition Information and Payment System.

Minimizing Food Waste and Reducing Food Insecurity

The District shall take steps to minimize food waste and reduce food insecurity in district schools. (Health and Safety Code 114079)

The Superintendent or designee shall arrange to recover the maximum amount of edible food that would otherwise be disposed for donation to a local food recovery organization. (14 CCR 18991.3)

The district may also provide sharing tables where students and staff may return appropriate unused cafeteria food items to be made available to students during the course of a regular school meal time. If food on the sharing tables is not taken by a student, the school cafeteria may donate the food to a food bank or any other nonprofit charitable organization. (Health and Safety Code 114079)

Food that may be donated includes prepackaged, nonpotentially hazardous food with the

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packaging still intact and in good condition, whole uncut produce that complies with Health and Safety Code 113992, unopened bags of sliced fruit, unopened containers of milk that are immediately stored in a cooling bin maintained at 41 degrees Fahrenheit or below, and perishable prepackaged food if it is placed in a proper temperature-controlled environment. The preparation, safety, and donation of food shall be consistent with Health and Safety Code 113980. (Health and Safety Code 114079)

The Superintendent or designee shall maintain records related to edible food recovery including a list of each food recovery service or organization that collects or receives the district's edible food, contact information for the service or organization, the types of food, frequency, and quantity that will be collected or hauled by the district, and a copy of contracts or written agreements between the district and food recovery services or organizations. (14 CCR 18991.4)

Cafeteria Fund and Account

All proceeds from food sales and other services offered by the cafeteria shall be deposited in the cafeteria fund as provided by law. (Education Code 38090, 38093)

The cafeteria fund shall be used only for those expenditures authorized by the Governing Board as necessary for the operation of school cafeterias in accordance with Education Code 38100-38103, 2 CFR Part 200 Appendix VII, and the California School Accounting Manual.

The district may use cafeteria funds to supplement the provision of a nutritionally adequate breakfast and/or lunch to district students when permitted by law.

Any charges to, or transfers from, a food service program shall be dated and accompanied by a written explanation of the purpose of and basis for the expenditure. (Education Code 38101)

Indirect costs charged to the food service program shall be based on either the district's prior year indirect cost rate as approved by CDE or the statewide average approved indirect cost rate for the second prior fiscal year, whichever is less. (Education Code 38101)

Net cash resources in the nonprofit school food service shall not exceed six months' average expenditures. (7 CFR 210.14, 220.7)

U.S. Department of Agriculture Foods

The district shall provide facilities for the storage and control of foods received through the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) that protect against theft, spoilage, damage, or other loss. Such storage facilities shall maintain donated foods in sanitary conditions, at the proper temperature and humidity, and with adequate air circulation. The district shall comply with all federal, state, or local requirements related to food safety and health and procedures for

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responding to a food recall, as applicable, and shall obtain all required health inspections. (7 CFR 250.14)

The Superintendent or designee shall maintain inventories of USDA foods in accordance with 7 CFR 250.59 and CDE procedures, and shall ensure that foods are used before their expiration dates.

USDA donated foods shall be used in school lunches as far as practicable. USDA foods also may be used in other nonprofit food service activities, including, but not limited to, school breakfasts or other meals, a la carte foods sold to students, meals served to adults directly involved in the operation and administration of the food service and to other school staff, and training in nutrition, health, food service, or general home economics instruction for students, provided that any revenues from such activities accrue to the district's nonprofit food service account. (7 CFR 250.59)

Contracts with Outside Services

The term of any contract for food service management or consulting services shall not exceed one year. Any renewal of the contract or further requests for proposals to provide such services shall be considered on a year-to-year basis. (Education Code 45103.5; 7 CFR 210.16)

Any contract for management of the food service operation shall be approved by CDE and comply with the conditions in Education Code 49554 and 7 CFR 210.16 as applicable. The district shall retain control of the quality, extent, and general nature of its food services. (Education Code 49554; 42 USC 1758; 7 CFR 210.16)

Any contract for consulting services shall not result in the supervision of food service classified staff by the management consultant, nor shall it result in the elimination of any food service classified staff or position or have any adverse effect on the wages, benefits, or other terms and conditions of employment of classified food service staff or positions. All persons providing consulting services shall be subject to applicable employment conditions related to health and safety as listed in Education Code 45103.5. (Education Code 45103.5)

<i>State</i>	<i>Description</i>
5 CCR 15550-15565	School lunch and breakfast programs
Ed. Code 38080-38086	School meals
Ed. Code 38090-38095	Cafeterias, funds and accounts
Ed. Code 38100-38103	Cafeterias, allocation of charges
Ed. Code 42646	Alternate payroll procedure
Ed. Code 45103.5	Contracts for management consulting services; restrictions
Ed. Code 49490-49493	School breakfast and lunch programs
Ed. Code 49500-49505	School meals
Ed. Code 49550-49564.5	Meals for needy students
Ed. Code 49554	Contract for services

<i>Ed. Code 49580-49581</i>	<i>Food recovery program</i>
<i>F&A Code 58595</i>	<i>Preference for California-grown agricultural products</i>
<i>H&S Code 113700-114437</i>	<i>California Retail Food Code; sanitation and safety requirements</i>
<i>Pub. Cont. Code 2000-2002</i>	<i>Responsive bidders</i>
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<i>7 CFR 210.1-210.31</i>	<i>National School Lunch Program</i>
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<i>7 CFR 220.1-220.21</i>	<i>National School Breakfast Program</i>
<i>7 CFR 220.1-220.22</i>	<i>National School Breakfast Program</i>
<i>7 CFR 245.8</i>	<i>Nondiscrimination practices for students eligible for free and reduced price meal and free milk</i>
<i>7 CFR 250.1-250.70</i>	<i>USDA foods</i>

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SUMMER MEAL PROGRAM

The Governing Board recognizes that child nutrition programs have a positive and direct impact upon children's well-being and achievement. To help students and other children in the community remain well nourished throughout the summer vacation, the district shall sponsor a summer meal program at the discretion of the district as approved by the California Department of Education (CDE).

(cf. 3550 - Food Service/Child Nutrition Program)
(cf. 3553 - Free and Reduced Price Meals)
(cf. 5030 - Student Wellness)
(cf. 5141.27 - Food Allergies/Special Dietary Needs)

The district may apply to the CDE to provide meals to children during any extended break in a year-round school schedule. (42 USC 1761; 7 CFR 225.2, 225.6, 225.14)

(cf. 6117 - Year-Round Schedules)

Between October and April, or at any time or school on a year-round schedule, the district may serve meals at a nonschool site in cases of unanticipated school closures, such as a natural disaster, unscheduled major building repair, court order related to school safety or other issues, labor-management dispute, or similar cause as approved by the CDE. (42 USC 1761; 7 CFR 225.6)

The Superintendent or designee shall recommend to the Board one or more sites for meal services based on state and federal program criteria and an assessment of family and community needs. When feasible, the Superintendent or designee shall involve local governmental agencies, food banks, and/or community organizations in identifying suitable site locations. The site(s) shall be approved by the CDE before meal service is initiated.

The summer meal program may be offered in conjunction with educational enrichment or recreational activities in order to encourage participation in other wellness and learning opportunities.

(cf. 1020 - Youth Services)
(cf. 1330.1 - Joint Use Agreements)
(cf. 5148 - Child Care and Development)
(cf. 5148.2 - Before/After School Programs)
(cf. 6142.7 - Physical Education and Activity)
(cf. 6177 - Summer School)

The Superintendent or designee shall develop and coordinate outreach and promotional activities to inform parents/guardians and the community about the availability of the summer meal program and its location(s) and hours.

(cf. 1100 - Communication with the Public)
(cf. 1112 - Media Relations)
(cf. 1113 - District and School Web Sites)

SUMMER MEAL PROGRAM (continued)

The Superintendent or designee shall maintain accurate records of all meals served and shall ensure the timely submission of reimbursement claims in accordance with state procedures.

(cf. 3551 - Food Service Operations/Cafeteria Fund)

The Superintendent or designee shall regularly report to the Board regarding program implementation, number of participants at each site, feedback from participating children and their parents/guardians regarding menus and service, and program costs. As needed, the

Board shall direct the Superintendent or designee to identify program modifications to increase program quality or children's access to meal services.

(cf. 0500 - Accountability)

(cf. 3555 - Nutrition Program Compliance)

Legal References:

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49430-49436 *Pupil Nutrition, Health, and Achievement Act of 2001*

49490-49494 *School breakfast and lunch programs*

49500-49505 *School meals*

49510-49520 *Nutrition*

49530-49536 *Child Nutrition Act*

49547-49548.3 *Comprehensive nutrition services*

49550-49562 *Meals for needy students*

49570 *National School Lunch Act*

CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 5

15510 *Mandatory meals for needy students*

15550-15565 *School lunch and breakfast programs*

UNITED STATES CODE, TITLE 42

1751-1769i *School lunch programs, including:*

1751 *Note Local wellness policy*

1761 *Summer Food Service Program and Seamless Summer Feeding Option*

1771-1792 *Child nutrition, especially:*

1773 *School breakfast program*

CODE OF FEDERAL REGULATIONS, TITLE 7

210.1-210.31 *National School Lunch Program*

220.1-220.22 *National School Breakfast Program*

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California Department of Education, Nutrition: <http://www.cde.ca.gov/ls/nu>

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California School Nutrition Association: <http://www.calsna.org>

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FREE AND REDUCED PRICE MEALS

The Board of Trustees recognizes that adequate nutrition is essential to the development, health and well-being, and learning of all students. The Superintendent or designee shall facilitate and encourage the participation of all students in the district's food service program.

Each school day, the district shall provide, free of charge, one nutritionally adequate breakfast and one nutritionally adequate lunch for any student who requests a meal. (Education Code 49501.5)

After a student has been provided a school meal at no cost, the district may sell the student the entrée from an additional nutritiously adequate meal that qualifies for federal reimbursement, from the same meal service. (Education Code 49431)

To provide optimal nutrition and ensure that schools receive maximum federal meal reimbursement, the Superintendent or designee shall assess the eligibility of district schools to operate a federal universal meal service provision, such as Provision 2 or the Community Eligibility Provision, pursuant to 42 USC 1759a. The Superintendent or designee shall submit an application to operate a federal universal meal provision to the California Department of Education (CDE) on behalf of any district school that meets the definition of a “high poverty school.” (Education Code 49564.3)

The Superintendent or designee shall ensure that meals served under the school nutrition program meet applicable state and/or federal nutritional standards as specified in law and district-adopted guidelines.

The Board shall approve, and shall submit to CDE for approval, a plan that ensures that students eligible to receive free or reduced-price meals are not treated differently from other students and that meets other requirements specified in Education Code 49557.

Confidentiality/Release of Records

All applications and records related to eligibility for the free and reduced-price meal program shall be confidential and may not be disclosed except as provided by law and authorized by the Board or pursuant to a court order. (Education Code 49558)

The Board authorizes designated employees to use records pertaining to an individual student’s eligibility for the free and reduced-price meal program for the following purposes: (Education Code 49558)

1. Disaggregation of academic achievement data

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2. Identification of students eligible for services under the federal Elementary and Secondary Education Act pursuant to 20 USC 6301-6576
3. Facilitation of targeted educational services and supports to individual students based on the local control accountability plan

If a student transfers from the district to another district, charter school, county office of education program, or private school, the Superintendent or designee may share the student's meal eligibility information to the other educational agency to assist that other educational agency in ensuring that the student continues to receive school meals.

The Superintendent or designee may release the name and eligibility status of a student participating in the free or reduced-price meal program to another school district, charter school, or county office of education that is serving a student living in the same household for purposes related to program eligibility and data used in local control funding formula (LCFF) calculations. (Education Code 49558)

The Superintendent or designee may release the name and eligibility status of a student participating in the free or reduced-price meal program to the Superintendent of Public Instruction for purposes of determining allocations under the LCFF and for assessing accountability of that funding. (Education Code 49558)

The Superintendent or designee may release information on the school lunch program application to the local agency that determines eligibility for participation in the Medi-Cal program if the student has been approved for free meals or, if included in the agreement with the local agency, for reduced-price meals. The Superintendent or designee also may release information on the school lunch application to the local agency that determines eligibility for CalFresh or another nutrition assistance program authorized under 7 CFR 210.1 if the student has been approved for free or reduced-price meals. Information may be released for these purposes only if the student's parent/guardian consents to the sharing of information and the district has entered into a memorandum of understanding with the local agency which, at a minimum, includes the roles and responsibilities of the district and local agency and the process for sharing the information. After sharing information with the local agency for purposes of determining eligibility for that program, no further information shall be shared unless otherwise authorized by law. (Education Code 49557.2, 49557.3, 49558)

FREE AND REDUCED PRICE MEALS (continued)**State**

5 CCR 15510
 5 CCR 15530-15535
 5 CCR 15550-15565
 Ed. Code 48980
 Ed. Code 49430-49434
 Ed. Code 49490-49494
 Ed. Code 49500-49505
 Ed. Code 49501.5
 Ed. Code 49510-49520
 Ed. Code 49530-49536
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 Ed. Code 49550-49564.5
 Ed. Code 49564.3

Federal

20 USC 1232g
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 42 USC 1751-1769j
 42 USC 1771-1791
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 7 CFR 210.1-210.31
 7 CFR 220.10-220.21
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BIGGS UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

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FREE AND REDUCED PRICE MEALS

Applications

The Superintendent or designee shall ensure that the district's application form for free and reduced-price meals and related materials include the statements specified in Education Code 49557 and 7 CFR 245.5. The district's application packet shall include the notifications and information listed in Education Code 49557.2.

The application form and related information shall be distributed in paper form to all parents/guardians at the beginning of each school year and shall be available to students at all times during the school day. (Education Code 48980, 49520; 42 USC 1758; 7 CFR 245.5)

In addition, the district application form for free and reduced price meals shall be available online. The online application form shall require completion of only those questions necessary for determining eligibility, contain clear instructions for families that are experiencing homelessness or who are migratory and comply with other requirements specified in Education Code 49557.

An application form and related information shall also be provided whenever a new student is enrolled.

At the beginning of each school year, the Superintendent or designee shall send a public release, containing the same information supplied to parents/guardians and including eligibility criteria, to local media, the local unemployment office, and any major employers in the district attendance area contemplating large layoffs. Copies of the public release shall be made available upon request to any interested person. (7 CFR 245.5)

Eligibility

The Superintendent or designee shall determine students' eligibility for the free and reduced-price meal program based on the criteria specified in 42 USC 1758 and 1773 and 7 CFR 245.1-245.13 and made available by the California Department of Education.

Participants in the CalFresh, California Work Opportunity and Responsibility to Kids (CalWORKS), and Medi-Cal programs shall be directly certified for enrollment in the free and reduced-price meal program without further application. Participants in other state or federal programs may be directly certified when authorized by law. (Education Code 49561, 49562; 42 USC 1758; 7 CFR 245.6)

Verification of Eligibility

Not later than November 15 of each year, the Superintendent or designee shall verify the eligibility of a sample of household applications approved for the school year in accordance with the sample sizes and procedures specified in 42 USC 1758 and 7 CFR 245.6a. (42 USC 1758; 7 CFR 245.6a)

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If the review indicates that the initial eligibility determination is correct, the Superintendent or designee shall verify the approved household application. If the review indicates that the initial eligibility determination is incorrect, the Superintendent or designee shall: (42 USC 1758; 7 CFR 245.6a)

1. If the eligibility status changes from reduced price to free, make the increased benefits immediately available and notify the household of the change in benefits
2. If the eligibility status changes from free to reduced price, first verify the application, then notify the household of the correct eligibility status, and, when required by law, send a notice of adverse action as described below
3. If the eligibility status changes from free or reduced price to paid, send the household a notice of adverse action as described below

If as a result of verification activities, the eligibility of a household that is receiving free or reduced-price benefits cannot be confirmed, or if the household fails to cooperate with verification efforts, the Superintendent or designee shall reduce or terminate benefits, as applicable, and shall properly document and retain on file in the district the reasons for the household's ineligibility. At least 10 days prior to the actual reduction or termination, the Superintendent or designee shall send a notice of adverse action to the household. The notice shall advise the household of: (7 CFR 245.6a)

1. The change and the reasons for the change
2. The right to appeal, when the appeal must be filed to ensure continued benefits while awaiting a hearing and decision, and instructions on how to appeal
3. The right to reapply at any time during the school year

Confidentiality/Release of Records

The Superintendent designates the following district employee(s) to disclose a student's name and eligibility status from individual meal records only for the purpose of disaggregation of academic achievement data and/or the provision of services under the federal Elementary and Secondary Education Act pursuant to 20 USC 6301-6576.

Food Service Supervisor

In permitting the disclosure of student records for such purposes, the Superintendent or designee shall ensure that: (Education Code 49558)

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1. No individual indicators of participation in the free and reduced-price meal program are maintained in the permanent records of any student if not otherwise allowed by law.
2. Information regarding individual student participation in the free and reduced-price meal program is not publicly released.
3. All other confidentiality provisions required by law are met.
4. Information collected regarding individual students certified to participate in the free and reduced-price meal program is destroyed when no longer needed for its intended purpose.

Nondiscrimination Plan

In implementing the district's food service programs for students who are eligible to receive free or reduced-price meals, the district shall ensure the following: (Education Code 49557; 42 USC 1758)

1. The names of the students shall not be published, posted, or announced in any manner, or used for any purpose other than the National School Lunch and School Breakfast Programs, unless otherwise provided by law.
2. There shall be no overt identification of any of the students by the use of special tokens or tickets or by any other means.
3. The students shall not be required to work for their meals.
4. The students shall not be required to use a separate dining area, go through a separate serving line or entrance, or consume their meals at a different time.

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5 CCR 15510
 5 CCR 15530-15535
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OTHER FOOD SALES

The Governing Board believes that sales of foods and beverages at school during the school day should be aligned with the district's goals to promote student wellness. Any food sales conducted outside the district's food service program shall meet nutritional standards specified in law, Board policy, and administrative regulation and shall not reduce student participation in the district's food service program.

(cf. 3550 - Food Service/Child Nutrition Program)
(cf. 3551 - Food Service Operations/Cafeteria Fund)
(cf. 3553 - Free and Reduced Price Meals)
(cf. 5030 - Student Wellness)
(cf. 5141.27 - Food Allergies/Special Dietary Needs)

The Board authorizes the Superintendent or designee to approve the sale of foods and beverages outside the district's food service program, including sales by student or school-connected organizations, sales through vending machines, and/or sales at secondary school student stores for fundraising purposes.

(cf. 1230 - School-Connected Organizations)
(cf. 1321 - Solicitations of Funds from and by Students)

When vending machines are sponsored by the district or a student or adult organization, the Superintendent or designee shall determine how and where vending machines may be placed at school sites, district offices, or other school facilities.

(cf. 3312 - Contracts)

Legal Reference: (see next page)

OTHER FOOD SALES (continued)

Legal Reference:

EDUCATION CODE

35182.5 *Contracts, non-nutritious beverages*

48931 *Authorization and sale of food*

49430-49436 *Pupil Nutrition, Health, and Achievement Act of 2001*

51520 *School premises; prohibited solicitations*

CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 5

15500 *Food sales in elementary schools*

15501 *Sales in high schools and junior high schools*

15575-15578 *Requirements for foods and beverages outside federal meals program*

HEALTH AND SAFETY CODE

113700-114437 *California Retail Food Code*

UNITED STATES CODE, TITLE 42

1751-1769h *National School Lunch Act, including:*

1751 *Note Local wellness policy*

1771-1791 *Child nutrition, School Breakfast Program*

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California Project LEAN (Leaders Encouraging Activity and Nutrition):

<http://www.californiaprojectlean.org>

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention: <http://www.cdc.gov>

Fiscal Crisis and Management Assistance Team: <http://www.fcmat.org>

National Association of State Boards of Education (NASBE): <http://www.nasbe.org>

U.S. Dept. of Agriculture, Food and Nutrition Information Center: <http://www.nal.usda.gov/fnic>

OTHER FOOD SALES

Requirements for Schools Not Participating in Federal Meal Program

Food and beverage sales outside the district's food service program shall comply with applicable nutritional standards specified in Education Code 49431-49431.7 and 5 CCR 15500-15501 and 15575-15578.

(cf. 3550 - Food Service/Child Nutrition Program)
(cf. 5030 - Student Wellness)
(cf. 5141.27 - Food Allergies/Special Dietary Needs)

The sale of foods or beverages that do not comply with the standards in Education Code 49431-49431.5 may be permitted in either of the following circumstances: (Education Code 49431-49431.5)

1. The sale takes place off and away from school premises.
2. The sale takes place on school premises at least one-half hour after the end of the school day.

(cf. 1230 - School-Connected Organizations)
(cf. 1321 - Solicitations of Funds from and by Students)
(cf. 6145 - Extracurricular and Cocurricular Activities)

Requirements for Schools Participating in Federal Meal Program

For any district school participating in the National School Lunch and/or Breakfast Program, food and beverage sales conducted outside the district's food service program on school campuses during the school day shall comply with applicable nutritional standards specified in 7 CFR 210.11 and 220.12 or with state nutrition standards in Education Code 49431-49431.7 and 5 CCR 15500-15501 and 15575-15578, whichever rule is stricter.

These standards shall apply to all competitive foods and beverages sold from midnight before the school day to one-half hour after the end of the school day. (7 CFR 210.11)

In a school with any of grades K-8 that is participating in the National School Lunch and/or Breakfast Program, the Superintendent or designee shall not permit the sale of foods by a student organization except when all of the following conditions are met: (5 CCR 15500)

1. The student organization sells only one food item per sale.
2. The specific nutritious food item is approved by the Superintendent or designee in accordance with Board policy.

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3. The sale does not begin until after the close of the regularly scheduled midday food service period.
4. The sale during the regular school day is not of food items prepared on the premises.
5. There are no more than four such sales per year per school.
6. The food sold is not one sold in the district's food service program at that school during that school day.

In any middle or high school, a student organization may be approved to sell food items during or after the school day if all of the following conditions are met: (5 CCR 15501)

1. Only one student organization conducts a food sale on a given school day and the organization sells no more than three types of food or beverage items, except that up to four days during the school year may be designated on which any number of organizations may conduct the sale of any food items.
2. The specific nutritious food items are approved by the Superintendent or designee in accordance with Board policy.
3. Food items sold during the regular school day are not prepared on the premises.
4. The food items sold are not those sold in the district's food service program at that school during that school day.

The Superintendent or designee shall maintain records, and shall require organizations selling foods and beverages to maintain records, to document compliance with federal nutrition standards for all competitive foods and beverages sold through and outside the district's food services program. At a minimum, these records shall include receipts, nutrition labels, and/or product specifications. (7 CFR 210.11)

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BIGGS UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
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NUTRITION PROGRAM COMPLIANCE

The Board of Trustees recognizes the district's responsibility to comply with state and federal nondiscrimination laws as they apply to the district's nutrition programs. The district shall not deny any individual the benefits or service of any nutrition program or discriminate on any basis prohibited by law.

(cf. [0410](#) - *Nondiscrimination in District Programs and Activities*)

(cf. [3550](#) - *Food Service/Child Nutrition Program*)

(cf. [3552](#) - *Summer Meal Program*)

(cf. [3553](#) - *Free and Reduced Price Meals*)

(cf. [5030](#) - *Student Wellness*)

Compliance Coordinator

The Board shall designate a compliance coordinator for nutrition programs, who may also be the compliance officer(s) specified in AR 1312.3 - Uniform Complaint Procedures, to ensure compliance with the laws governing the district's nutrition programs.

The responsibilities of the compliance coordinator include, but are not limited to:

1. Providing the name of the compliance coordinator, and the Section 504 coordinator and Title IX coordinator if different from the compliance coordinator, to the California Department of Education (CDE) and other interested parties

(cf. [6164.6](#) - *Identification and Education Under Section 504*)

2. Annually providing mandatory civil rights training to all frontline staff who interact with program applicants or participants and to those who supervise frontline staff

The subject matter of such training shall include, but not be limited to, collection and use of data, effective public notification systems, complaint procedures, compliance review techniques, resolution of noncompliance, requirements for reasonable accommodation of persons with disabilities, requirements for language assistance, conflict resolution, and customer service.

3. Establishing admission and enrollment procedures that do not restrict enrollment of students on the basis of race, ethnicity, national origin, or disability, including preventing staff from incorrectly denying applications and ensuring that such persons have equal access to all programs

(cf. [6159](#) - *Individualized Education Program*)

4. Sending a public release announcing the availability of the child nutrition programs and/or changes in the programs to public media and to community and grassroots organizations that interact directly with eligible or potentially eligible participants

NUTRITION PROGRAM COMPLIANCE (continued)

5. Communicating the program's nondiscrimination policy and applicable complaint procedures, as provided in the section "Notifications" below
6. Providing appropriate translation services when a significant number of persons in the surrounding population have limited English proficiency
7. Ensuring that every part of a facility is accessible to and usable by persons with disabilities and that participants with disabilities are not excluded from the benefits or services due to inaccessibility of facilities
8. Ensuring that special meals are made available to participants with disabilities who have a medical statement on file documenting that their disability restricts their diet

(cf. [5141.27](#) - *Food Allergies/Special Dietary Needs*)

9. Implementing procedures to process and resolve civil rights complaints, including alleged discrimination on the basis of race, color, national origin, age, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, or disability, and program-related complaints, including maintaining a complaint log, working with the appropriate person to resolve any complaint, and referring the complainant to the appropriate state or federal agency when necessary
10. Developing a method, which preferably uses self-identification or self-reporting, to collect racial and ethnic data for potentially eligible populations, applicants, and participants

(cf. [5022](#) - *Students and Family Privacy Rights*)

(cf. [5125](#) - *Student Records*)

(cf. [5145.13](#) - *Response to Immigration Enforcement*)

Notifications

The compliance coordinator shall ensure that the U.S. Department of Agriculture's (USDA) "And Justice for All" civil rights poster or a substitute poster approved by the USDA's Food and Nutrition Service is displayed in areas visible to the district's nutrition program participants, such as food service areas and school offices.

The compliance coordinator shall notify the public, all program applicants, participants, and potentially eligible persons of their rights and responsibilities and steps necessary to participate in the nutrition programs, including program requirements and program availability. Applicants, participants, and the public also shall be advised of their right to file a complaint, how to file a complaint, the complaint procedures, and that a complaint may be filed anonymously or by a third party.

(cf. [5145.6](#) - *Parental Notifications*)

NUTRITION PROGRAM COMPLIANCE (continued)

In addition, the compliance coordinator shall ensure that all forms of communication available to the public regarding program availability shall contain, in a prominent location, the most current version of the nondiscrimination statement provided by USDA about the district's status as an equal opportunity provider and the address of the agency with responsibility to handle complaints made against the district.

Forms of communication requiring this nondiscrimination statement include, but are not limited to, web sites, public information releases, publications, and posters, but exclude items such as cups, buttons, magnets, and pens that identify the program when the size or configuration makes it impractical. The nondiscrimination statement need not be included on every page of program information on the district's or school's web site, but the statement or a link to the statement shall be included on the home page of the program information.

A short version of the nondiscrimination statement, as provided by USDA, may be used on pamphlets, brochures, and flyers in the same print size as the rest of the text.

Complaints of Discrimination

A complaint alleging discrimination in the district's nutrition program(s) on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, age, or disability shall, within 180 days of the alleged discriminatory act, be filed or referred to USDA at any of the following: (5 CCR 15582)

Mail: U.S. Department of Agriculture
Office of the Assistant Secretary for Civil Rights
1400 Independence Avenue, SW
Washington, D.C. 20250-9410
Phone: (866) 632-9992, (800) 877-8339 (Federal Relay Service - English, deaf, hard of hearing, or speech disabilities), (800) 845-6136 (Federal Relay Service - Spanish)
Fax: (833) 256-1665 or (202) 690-7442
Email: program.intake@usda.gov

Complaints of discrimination on any other basis shall be investigated by the district using the process identified in AR 1312.3 - Uniform Complaint Procedures.

(cf. [1312.3](#) - Uniform Complaint Procedures)

Complaints Regarding Noncompliance with Program Requirements

Any complaint alleging that the district has not complied with program requirements pertaining to meal counting and claiming, reimbursable meals, eligibility of a child or adult, use of cafeteria funds and allowable expenses in relation to any child nutrition program specified in Education Code 49550-49564.5 shall be filed with or referred to CDE. (Education Code [49556](#); 5 CCR 15584)

NUTRITION PROGRAM COMPLIANCE (continued)

Complaints against a program operator that is not an educational agency shall be filed with or referred to CDE (5CCR 15584)

Complaints of noncompliance with any other nutrition program requirements shall be submitted to and investigated by the district using the following procedures.

Complaints may be filed by a student or the student's duly authorized representative by phone, email, or letter. The complaint shall be submitted within one year from the date of the alleged violation and shall include the following: (5 CCR 15581)

1. A statement that the district has violated a law or regulation relating to its child nutrition program
2. The facts on which the statement is based
3. The name of the district or the school against which the allegations are made
4. The complainant's contact information
5. The name of the student if alleging violations regarding a specific student

The district shall investigate and prepare a written report pursuant to 5 CCR [4631](#). (5 CCR 15583)

Unless extended by written agreement with the complainant, the district's compliance coordinator shall investigate the complaint and prepare a written report to be sent to the complainant within 30 days of the district's receipt of the complaint. (5 CCR 15583; 5 CCR [4631](#)). If the complainant is dissatisfied with the compliance coordinator's decision, the complainant may, within five business days, file the complaint in writing with the Board.

The Board shall consider the matter at its next regular Board meeting or at a special Board meeting convened in order to meet the 60-day time limit within which the complaint must be answered pursuant to 5 CCR [4631](#). When required by law, the matter shall be considered in closed session. The Board may decide not to consider the complaint, in which case the coordinator's decision shall be final.

(*cf.* [9321](#) - Closed Session)

If the Board considers the complaint, the Board's decision shall be sent to the complainant within 60 calendar days of the district's initial receipt of the complaint or within the time period that has been specified in a written agreement with the complainant. (5 CCR [4631](#))

If the complainant is not satisfied with the findings in the district's report, the complainant may appeal the decision to CDE by filing a written appeal within 30 days of receiving the decision. (5 CCR [4632](#))

NUTRITION PROGRAM COMPLIANCE (continued)

If the complainant is not satisfied with the findings in the district's report, the complainant may appeal the decision to CDE by filing a written appeal within 30 days of receiving the decision. (5 CCR 4632).

*Legal Reference:*EDUCATION CODE[200-262.4](#) Prohibition of discrimination[42238.01](#) Definitions for purposes of funding[48985](#) Notices to parents in language other than English[49060-49079](#) Student records[49490-49590](#) Child nutrition programsPENAL CODE[422.6](#) Interference with constitutional right or privilegeCODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 5[3080](#) Application of section[4600-4670](#) Uniform complaint procedures[4900-4965](#) Nondiscrimination in elementary and secondary education programs[15580-15584](#) Child nutrition programs complaint proceduresUNITED STATES CODE, TITLE 20[1400-1482](#) Individuals with Disabilities Education Act[1681-1688](#) Discrimination based on sex or blindness, Title IXUNITED STATES CODE, TITLE 29[794](#) Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973UNITED STATES CODE, TITLE 42[2000d-2000d-7](#) Title VI, Civil Rights Act of 1964[2000e-2000e-17](#) Title VII, Civil Rights Act of 1964 as amended[12101-12213](#) Americans with Disabilities ActCODE OF FEDERAL REGULATIONS, TITLE 7[210.19](#) National School Lunch Program, additional responsibilities[210.23](#) National School Lunch Program, district responsibilities[215.7](#) Special Milk Program, requirements for participation[215.14](#) Special Milk Program, nondiscrimination[220.7](#) School Breakfast Program, requirements for participation[220.13](#) School Breakfast Program, special responsibilities of state agencies[225.3](#) Summer Food Service Program, administration[225.7](#) Summer Food Service Program, program monitoring and assistance[225.11](#) Summer Food Service Program, corrective action procedures[226.6](#) Child and Adult Care Food Program, state agency administrative responsibilities[250.15](#) Out-of-condition donated foods, food recalls, and complaintsCODE OF FEDERAL REGULATIONS, TITLE 28[35.101-35.190](#) Americans with Disabilities Act[36.303](#) Nondiscrimination on the basis of disability, public accommodations, auxiliary aids and servicesCODE OF FEDERAL REGULATIONS, TITLE 34[100.1-100.13](#) Nondiscrimination in federal programs, effectuating Title VI[104.1-104.39](#) Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973[106.1-106.61](#) Discrimination on the basis of sex, effectuating Title IX, especially:[106.9](#) Dissemination of policy*Management Resources:*CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION PUBLICATIONS

NUTRITION PROGRAM COMPLIANCE (continued)

Civil Rights and Complaint Procedures for the U.S. Department of Agriculture Child Nutrition Programs, June 2018

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE, FOOD AND NUTRITION SERVICE PUBLICATIONS

Civil Rights Compliance and Enforcement - Nutrition Programs and Activities, FNS Instruction 113-1, November 2005

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION, OFFICE FOR CIVIL RIGHTS PUBLICATIONS

Notice of Non-Discrimination, August 2010

WEB SITES

California Department of Education, Nutrition Services Division: <http://www.cde.ca.gov/ls/nu>

U.S. Department of Agriculture, Food and Nutrition Services: <http://www.fns.usda.gov>

U.S. Department of Agriculture, Office for Civil Rights: <http://www.ascr.usda.gov>

U.S. Department of Education, Office for Civil Rights: <http://www2.ed.gov/ocr>

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BIGGS UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

Biggs, California

NUTRITION PROGRAM COMPLIANCE

NONDISCRIMINATION STATEMENT FOR NUTRITION PROGRAMS

The following statement shall be included, in a prominent location, on all forms available to the public regarding the availability of the district's child nutrition programs:

"In accordance with Federal civil rights law and U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) civil rights regulations and policies, this institution is prohibited from discriminating on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex (including gender identity and sexual orientation), disability, age, or reprisal or retaliation for prior civil rights activity.

Program information may be made available in languages other than English. Persons with disabilities who require alternative means of communication to obtain program information (e.g., Braille, large print, audiotape, American Sign Language, etc.), should contact the responsible state or local agency that administers the program or USDA's TARGET Center at (202) 720-2600 (voice and TTY) or contact USDA through the Federal Relay Service at (800) 877-8339.

To file a program discrimination complaint, a Complainant should complete a Form AD-3027, USDA Program Discrimination Complaint Form, which can be obtained online at: <https://www.usda.gov/sites/default/files/documents/ad-3027.pdf>, from any USDA office, by calling (866) 632-9992, or by writing a letter addressed to the USDA. The letter must contain the complainant's name, address, telephone number, and a written description of the alleged discriminatory action in sufficient detail to inform the Assistant Secretary for Civil Rights (ASCR) about the nature and date of an alleged civil rights violation. The completed AD-3027 form or letter must be submitted to USDA by:

(1) mail: U.S. Department of
Agriculture Office of the
Assistant Secretary for Civil
Rights 1400 Independence
Avenue, SW
Washington, D.C. 20250-9410; or

(2) fax: (833) 256-1665 or (202) 690-7442; or

(3) email: Program.Intake@usda.gov

This institution is an equal opportunity provider."

On pamphlets, brochures, and flyers, in the same print size as the rest of the text, the district may print a short version of the nondiscrimination statement, as follows:

"This institution is an equal opportunity provider."

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BIGGS UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
Biggs, California

Business and Noninstructional Operations

DISTRICT RECORDS

The Board of Trustees recognizes the importance of securing and retaining district documents. The Superintendent or designee shall ensure that district records are developed, maintained, and disposed of in accordance with law, Board policy, and administrative regulation.

(cf. [1340](#) - *Access to District Records*)
 (cf. [3440](#) - *Inventories*)
 (cf. [4112.6/4212.6/4312.6](#) - *Personnel Files*)
 (cf. [5125](#) - *Student Records*)

The Superintendent or designee shall consult with district legal counsel, site administrators, district information technology staff, personnel department staff, and others as necessary to develop a secure document management system that provides for the storage, retrieval, archiving, and destruction of district documents, including electronically stored information such as email. This document management system shall be designed to comply with state and federal laws regarding security of records, record retention and destruction, response to "litigation hold" discovery requests, and the recovery of records in the event of a disaster or emergency.

(cf. [0440](#) - *District Technology Plan*)
 (cf. [3516](#) - *Emergencies and Disaster Preparedness Plan*)
 (cf. [4040](#) - *Employee Use of Technology*)
 (cf. [9011](#) - *Board Member Electronic Communications*)

The Superintendent or designee shall ensure the confidentiality of records as required by law and shall establish regulations to safeguard data against damage, loss, or theft, including damage, loss, or theft which may be caused by cybersecurity breaches.

(cf. [5125.1](#) - *Release of Directory Information*)

The Superintendent or designee shall ensure that employees receive information about the district's document management system, including retention and confidentiality requirements and an employee's obligations in the event of a litigation hold or California Public Records Act request established on the advice of legal counsel. Additionally, the Superintendent or designee shall ensure that employees receive information and training about cybersecurity, including ways to protect district records from breaches to the district's digital infrastructure.

(cf. [4131](#) - *Staff Development*)
 (cf. [4231](#) - *Staff Development*)
 (cf. [4331](#) - *Staff Development*)

If the district discovers or is notified that a breach of security of district records has resulted in the release of personal information, the Superintendent or designee shall notify every individual whose personal information was, or is reasonably believed to have been, acquired by an unauthorized person, if that information was either unencrypted or encrypted under the

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circumstances specified in Civil Code 1798.29. “Personal information” includes, but is not limited to, a social security number, driver's license or identification card number, medical information, health insurance information, or an account number in combination with an access code or password that would permit access to a financial account. (Civil Code [1798.29](#))

The Superintendent or designee shall provide the notice in a timely manner either in writing or electronically, unless otherwise provided in law. The notice shall include the material specified in Civil Code [1798.29](#), be formatted as required, and be distributed in a timely manner, consistent with the legitimate needs of law enforcement to conduct an uncompromised investigation or any measures necessary to determine the scope of the breach and restore reasonable integrity of the data system. (Civil Code [1798.29](#))

If the district experiences a cyberattack that impacts more than 500 students or personnel, the Superintendent or designee shall report the cyberattack to the California Cybersecurity Integration Center. (Education Code 35266)

(cf. [1112](#) - Media Relations)

(cf. [1113](#) - District and School Web Sites)

(cf. [4112.9/4212.9/4312.9](#) - Employee Notifications)

(cf. [5145.6](#) - Parental Notifications)

Safe at Home Program

District public records shall not include the actual addresses of students, parents/guardians, or employees when a substitute address is designated by the Secretary of State pursuant to the Safe at Home program. (Government Code [6206](#), [6207](#))

When a substitute address card is provided pursuant to this program, the confidential, actual address may be used only to establish district residency requirements for enrollment and for school emergency purposes.

Records containing a participant's confidential address information shall be kept in a confidential location and not shared with the public.

(cf. [5111.1](#) - District Residency)

(cf. [5141](#) - Health Care and Emergencies)

DISTRICT RECORDS (continued)

Legal Reference:

EDUCATION CODE

35145 Public meetings

35163 Official actions, minutes and journal

35250-35255 Records and reports

44031 Personnel file contents and inspection

49065 Reasonable charge for transcripts

49069 Absolute right to access

CIVIL CODE

1798.29 Breach of security involving personal information

CODE OF CIVIL PROCEDURE

1985.8 Electronic Discovery Act

2031.010-2031.060 Civil Discovery Act, scope of discovery demand

2031.210-2031.320 Civil Discovery Act, response to inspection demand

GOVERNMENT CODE

6205-6210 Confidentiality of addresses for victims of domestic violence, sexual assault or stalking

6252-6265 Inspection of public records

12946 Retention of employment applications and records for two years

PENAL CODE

11170 Retention of child abuse reports

CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 5

430 Individual student records; definition

432 Varieties of student records

16020-16022 Records, general provisions

16023-16027 Retention of records

UNITED STATES CODE, TITLE 20

1232g Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act

CODE OF FEDERAL REGULATIONS, TITLE 34

99.1-99.8 Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act

Management Resources:

WEB SITES

California Secretary of State: <http://www.sos.ca.gov/safeathome>

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BIGGS UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
Biggs, California

DISTRICT RECORDS

Classification of Records

Records means all records, maps, books, papers, and documents of a school district required by law to be prepared or retained as necessary or convenient to the discharge of official duty. (5 CCR 16020)

(cf. 1340 - Access to District Records)

Before January 1, the Superintendent or designee shall review the prior year's records and shall classify them as either a Class 1 (Permanent), Class 2 (Optional), or Class 3 (Disposable) record. (5 CCR 16022)

Records of continuing nature, such as documents that are active and useful for administrative, legal, fiscal, or other purposes over a period of years, shall not be classified until such usefulness has ceased. (5 CCR 16022)

Any historical inventory of equipment shall be a continuing record and shall not be classified until the inventory is superseded or until the equipment is removed from district ownership. (5 CCR 16022)

(cf. 3440 - Inventories)

A student's cumulative record, if not transferred, is a continuing record until the student ceases to be enrolled in the district. (5 CCR 16022)

(cf. 5125 - Student Records)

When an electronic or photographed copy of a Class 1 (Permanent) record has been made, the copy may be classified as Class 1 (Permanent) and the original classified as either Class 2 (Optional) or Class 3 (Disposable). However, no original record that is basic to any required audit may be destroyed prior to the second July 1st succeeding the completion of the audit. (Education Code 35254; 5 CCR 16022)

Class 1 - Permanent Records

The original of each of the following records, or one exact copy of it when the original is required by law to be filed with another agency, is a Class 1 (Permanent) record and shall be retained indefinitely unless microfilmed in accordance with 5 CCR 16022: (5 CCR 16023)

1. Annual Reports
 - a. Official budget
 - b. Financial reports of all funds, including cafeteria and student body funds

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- c. Audit of all funds
- d. Average daily attendance, including Period 1 and Period 2 reports
- e. Other major annual reports, including:
 - (1) Those containing information relating to property, activities, financial condition, or transactions
 - (2) Those declared by Governing Board minutes to be permanent

(cf. 3100 - Budget)

(cf. 3452 - Student Activity Funds)

(cf. 3460 - Financial Reports and Accountability)

(cf. 3551 - Food Service Operations/Cafeteria Fund)

2. Official Actions

- a. Minutes of the Board or Board committees, including the text of rules, regulations, policies, or resolutions not set forth verbatim in the minutes, included by reference only
- b. The call for and the result of any elections called, conducted, or canvassed by the Board
- c. Records transmitted by another agency pertaining to its action with respect to district reorganization

(cf. 7214 - General Obligation Bonds)

(cf. 9324 - Minutes and Recordings)

3. Personnel Records

Class 1 (Permanent) records include all detailed records relating to employment; assignment; amounts and dates of service rendered; termination or dismissal of an employee in any position; sick leave record; rate of compensation, salaries, or wages paid; and deductions or withholdings made and the person or agency to whom such amounts were paid.

In lieu of the detailed records, a complete proven summary payroll record for each employee containing the same data may be classified as a Class 1 (Permanent) record and the detailed records may then be classified as Class 3 (Disposable) records.

Information of a derogatory nature as defined in Education Code 44031 shall be retained as a Class 1 (Permanent) record only when the time for filing a grievance has passed or the document has been sustained by the grievance process.

DISTRICT RECORDS (continued)**4. Student Records**

The records of enrollment and scholarship for each student required by 5 CCR 432 and all records pertaining to any accident or injury involving a minor for which a claim for damages had been filed as required by law shall be classified as Class 1 (Permanent) records.

These include any related policy of liability insurance, except that these records cease to be Class 1 (Permanent) records one year after the claim has been settled or the statute of limitations has expired.

(cf. 5111.1 - District Residency)

(cf. 5141 - Health Care and Emergencies)

(cf. 5143 - Insurance)

5. Property Records

Class 1 (Permanent) records include all detailed records relating to land, buildings, and equipment.

In lieu of detailed records, a complete property ledger may be classified as a Class 1 (Permanent) record. The detailed records may then be classified as Class 3 (Disposable) records if the property ledger includes all fixed assets; an equipment inventory; and, for each piece of property, the date of acquisition, name of previous owner, a legal description, amount paid, and comparable data if the unit is disposed of.

(cf. 3280 - Sale or Lease of District-Owned Real Property)

Class 2 - Optional Records

Any records considered temporarily worth keeping, but which are not Class 1 records, may be classified as Class 2 (Optional) records and shall be retained until reclassified as Class 3 (Disposable) records. If, by agreement of the Board and Superintendent or designee, classification of the prior year records has not been made before January 1 as specified in 5 CCR 16022, all records of the prior year may be classified as Class 2 (Optional) records pending further review and classification within one year. (5 CCR 16024)

Class 3 - Disposable Records

All records not classified as Class 1 (Permanent) or as Class 2 (Optional) records shall be classified as Class 3 (Disposable) records. These include, but are not limited to, detailed records basic to audit, including those relating to attendance, average daily attendance, or business or financial transactions; detailed records used in preparing another report; teachers' registers if all information required by 5 CCR 432 is retained in other records or if the General Records pages are removed from the register and classified as Class 1 (Permanent) records; and periodic reports, including daily, weekly, and monthly reports, bulletins, and instructions. (5 CCR 16025)

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All Class 3 (Disposable) records shall be destroyed during the third school year after the school year in which the records originated. In addition, Class 3 (Disposable) records shall not be destroyed until after the third school year following the completion of any legally required audit or the retention period required by any agency other than the State of California, whichever is later. A continuing record shall not be destroyed until the fourth year after it has been classified as a Class 3 (Disposable) record. (5 CCR 16026, 16027)

(cf. 5113.2 - Work Permits)

Electronically Stored Information

All electronically stored information related to the conduct of district business, including information created, saved, sent, or received on a district employee's or Board member's personal account or device, shall be saved as an electronic file to a district-provided account or device and retained in accordance with the section "Classification of Records" above. Such information includes, but is not limited to, email, text messages, messages sent via apps, computer files, and other electronic communications related to district business. All records, including electronic documents, should be organized and filed for easy retrieval based on information contained in, and the purpose of, the record.

(cf. 9012 - Board Member Electronic Communications)

Employees shall be required to regularly purge their email accounts and district-issued computers, cell phones, and other communication devices of personal electronically stored information and other information unrelated to district business. The Superintendent or designee may check for appropriate use of any district-owned equipment at any time.

(cf. 4040 - Employee Use of Technology)

Any person to whom a district-owned computer, cell phone, or other electronic communication device is provided shall be notified about the district's electronic information management system and, as necessary, provided training on the effective use of the device.

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BIGGS UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
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CONSULTANTS

The Board of Trustees authorizes the use of consultants and other independent contractors to provide expert professional advice or specialized technical or training services which are not needed on a continuing basis and which cannot be provided by district staff because of limitations of time, experience, or knowledge. Individuals, firms, or organizations employed as independent contractors may assist management with decisions and/or project development related to financial, economic, accounting, engineering, legal, administrative, instructional, or other matters.

(cf. [3551](#) - Food Service Operations/Cafeteria Fund)

As part of the contract process, the Superintendent or designee shall determine that the individual, firm, or organization is properly classified as an independent contractor. A person, firm, or organization shall be considered an employee rather than an independent contractor unless the district is able to demonstrate that all of the following conditions have been met: (Labor Code 2750.3)

1. The person or entity is free from the control and direction of the district in connection with the performance of the work.
2. The person or entity is performing work that is outside the usual course of the district providing educational services.
3. The person or entity is customarily engaged in an independently established trade, occupation, or business of the same nature as the work to be performed.

Specific statutory exceptions to this analysis for the determination of whether a person, firm, or organization is an independent contractor may apply. (Labor Code 2750.3)

All consultant contracts shall be brought to the Board for approval.

(cf. [3311](#) - Bids)

(cf. [3312](#) - Contracts)

(cf. [4132/4232/4332](#) - Publication or Creation of Materials)

All qualified independent contractors shall be accorded equal opportunity for contracts regardless of actual or perceived race, color, national origin, ancestry, age, religious creed, marital status, pregnancy, physical or mental disability, medical condition, genetic information, military and veteran status, sex, sexual orientation, gender, gender identity, gender expression, immigration status, or association with a person or group with one or more of these actual or perceived characteristics. (Education Code [220](#); Government Code [12940](#))

(cf. [0410](#) - Nondiscrimination in District Programs and Activities)

(cf. [0415](#) - Equity)

(cf. [4030](#) - Nondiscrimination in Employment)

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Independent contractors shall submit a written conflict of interest statement disclosing financial interests as determined necessary by the Superintendent or designee, depending on the range of duties to be performed by the consultant. The Superintendent or designee shall consider this statement when deciding whether to recommend approval of the contract.

Any consultant hired by the district who is subject to the filing requirements in the district's conflict of interest code shall file a Statement of Economic Interests within the time period required by law. (Government Code [87302](#))

(cf. [9270](#) - Conflict of Interest)

When employees of a public university, county office of education, or other public agency serve as consultants or independent contractors in other capacities for the district, they shall certify as part of the agreement that they will not receive salary or remuneration other than vacation pay from any other public agency for the specific days when they work for the district.

The Board prohibits the harassment of an independent contractor by any district employee or by any other person with whom the independent contractor comes in contact during the course of employment with the district. Additionally, the Board prohibits the harassment of a district employee by an independent contractor. Any complaint of harassment shall be investigated and resolved in accordance with applicable district complaint procedures. (Government Code [12940](#))

(cf. [4119.11/4219.11/4319.11](#) - Sexual Harassment)

Legal Reference: See next page

CONSULTANTS (continued)

Legal Reference:

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[220](#) *Prohibition of discrimination*

[10400-10407](#) *Cooperative improvement programs*

[17596](#) *Limit on continuing contracts*

[35010](#) *Control of districts; prescription and enforcement of rules*

[35172](#) *Promotional activities*

[35204](#) *Contract with attorney*

[44925](#) *Part-time readers employed as independent contractors*

[45103](#) *Classified service in districts not incorporating the merit system*

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[45134-45135](#) *Employment of retired classified employee*

[45256](#) *Merit system districts; classified service; positions established for professional experts on a temporary basis*

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[12940](#) *Unlawful employment practices*

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[82019](#) *Designated employee*

[87302](#) *Conflict of interest code*

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[606.5](#) *Determination of employment status*

[621](#) *Employer and employee defined*

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[18700.3](#) *Consultant*

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